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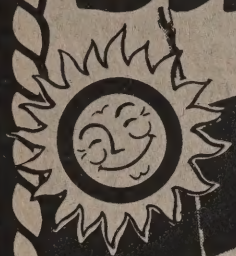
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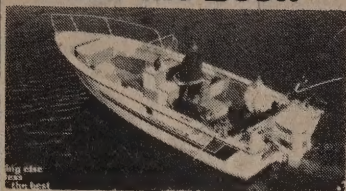
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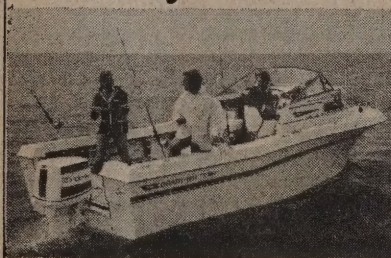
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This 328-page angler's guide contains much more than records, however. It combines the knowledge and expertise of some of the best fishing writers and renowned fishery scientists to provide the angler with essential information about his sport, the species, and wise use of fishery resources.

Published by the International Game Fish Association in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the 1983 book consists of five sections plus appendices.

All new, illustrated articles in Section 2 provide much information of interest to anglers. Vlad Evanoff discusses the development of the freshwater fishery for striped bass, a recent favorite species among many inland anglers. "Sight and Sound Perception in Fishes," including some outstanding underwater photography, is the subject of an in-depth article by Parry B. Larsen, MD, of the University of Miami. Peter Goadby of Australia provides expert advice on "Establishing and Enforcing Fishing Tournament Rules," and well-known outdoor writers Mark Sosin and Lefty Kreh discuss "Fly Fishing the Flats" from tackle to technique. Last, but not least, international traveler and fisherman Jim C. Chapralis shares his "Tips for the Traveling Angler," humorously illustrated by cartoonist Sandy Dean.

Descriptions and illustrations for all the record species appear in the 80-page "Guide to Fishes" in Section 5. Information has been revised and expanded for this comprehensive guide, which includes data on distribution, habitats, fishing methods, food and sporting value, and more.

IGFA's new 5, 10, 15 & 20-to-One Clubs are described in Section 3, with information on how to qualify and how to apply. Another of IGFA's recognition programs, the Annual Fishing Contest—now in its eighth year—is also included with rules and application form.

Appendices include a revised synopsis of major game fish tagging

programs, listings of the "Game Fish Records of Nations and Continents," a knot-tying guide, a "U.S. Sport-fishing Information Directory," and an "Index to the Common and Scientific Names of Fishes."

A section on IGFA describes the Association's library, membership program and goals, and provides a listing of its many international representatives.

World Record Game Fishes/1983 is included as part of IGFA's annual membership package. Regular membership in the association is \$20 annually in the U.S.A. and \$24 U.S. in all other countries, and includes the bimonthly newsletter **The International Angler** as well as other benefits.

Single copies of the 1983 book are available at selected tackle stores, marinas and book stores, or direct from the publisher: IGFA, 3000 East Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316-9987. Price is \$7.95 postpaid in the U.S.A. and U.S. \$9.75 in all other countries.

EXCITEMENT BUILDS FOR WOODEN BOAT SHOW

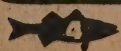
The Wooden Boat Show, the only one of its kind in the world, will open and run Thursday, August 18 through Sunday, August 21 at the Newport Yachting Center in Newport, R.I. This unique combination of wooden boats, accessories, craftsmen and enthusiasts is the only place where those interested in wooden boats and those who build wooden boats can gather in one place to swap ideas, buy equipment and boats and share information.

Sailboats, power craft, rowboats, model ships, oars, masts, sails, rigging, tools, electronic equipment, paint, nautical gifts, clothing, jewelry, painting, publications and wood-carvings are just a few of the products available from the 125 exhibitors.

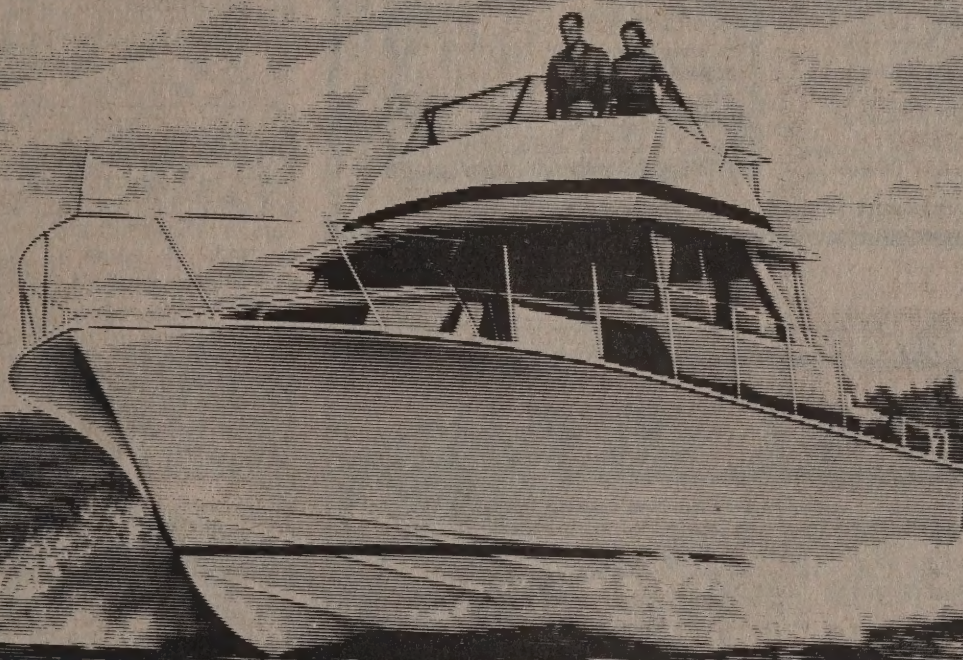
As the special feature, one of the largest wooden yachts built in North America in the last ten years, will make its Newport debut at the show. Whitefin, a 90 foot West system cold-molded yacht, will arrive just prior to the show's opening. Owned and built by Phil Long of Camden, Maine, and just recently finished, Whitefin will go on to represent America in the international ocean racing circuit after its appearance in Newport.

The Traditional Small Craft Association (TSCA) will hold their first annual meet at the national level at the Wooden Boat Show. Formed to lobby for the protection of small craft from over regulation of traditional craft by the Coast Guard, they also educate the boating public about the history, design, construction and use of small traditional craft.

TSCA will display the finest collection of small craft outside of museums and visitors will have the opportunity to take them out for a row or a sail. In addition, they will hold free seminars on knot tying, lofting, amateur boat



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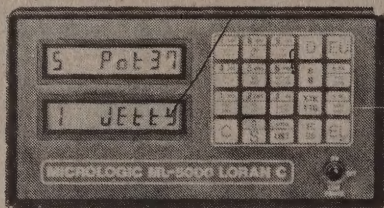
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building, stitch and glue canoe construction, small boat cruising and will host a small boat safety seminar led by the Coast Guard.

One other seminar will be available for serious wooden boat enthusiasts at an additional cost. Sponsored in conjunction with WoodenBoat Magazine and their WoodenBoat School, a seminar on "Troubleshooting Wooden Boats," will be held each day at 2PM. Geared for current owners and potential buyers, the class will be instructed by two highly respected surveyors and school instructors, Paul Coble and Giffy Full.

The world finals of the SIKa Challenge, a unique boat building contest and race sponsored by the SIKa Corporation, will be one of the many exciting activities of the show. Six two-persons teams will build boats of their own design with materials provided. They will build as fast and as simply as they can. On Sunday afternoon, the boats are carried by the teams to Newport Harbor and raced around a three-leg course, one with oars, one with sail and one with either or both. A panel of judges then decides the winners based on points awarded for originality of design, finish order in the water competition and elapsed time during construction. Winners receive a Challenge Cup and a case of SIKAFLEX 241, the marine sealant and adhesive. Visitors to the show have ringside seats to the competition and boat building contests.

The Concor D'Elegance, the exhibition of privately owned fine wooden motor and sailing vessels, will include judging of the boats for authenticity and quality of maintenance. Judges, led by Newport's Museum of Yachting, will use the standards of the Antique and Classic Boat Society. Trophies will be awarded.

Private yachts for sale will also be on exhibit. Each year the show attracts quite a gathering of fine private yachts ranging in size from 24 to 65 feet, both power and sail. Owners wishing to sell their wooden boats or to join the Concor D'Elegance, may contact Show Manager, Rob Dwellay at (401) 846-1600.

In cooperation with the Armchair Sailor Bookstore and Flickers, the Newport Film Society, the Wooden Boat Show will present "Coaster," Jon Craig Cloutier's film on the life and death of the Schooner John F. Leavitt. The film documents the boat's construction from laying the keel to its sinking on its maiden voyage. While the vessel and film equipment were lost, the film was saved and can be seen at 7:30PM on August 19 and 20 at the Elks Club in Newport. Tickets are \$4.50.

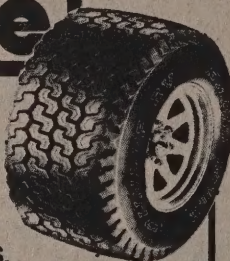
Plymouth Plantation, the 17th century village museum in Plymouth, Mass., will exhibit their shallop, a 33 foot replica of the work boat used by the pilgrims. The pilgrim's shallop was built in England, disassembled and stored in the hold of the May-

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flower and reconstructed again on the beach in Provincetown, Mass. The boat was used to explore the coast of New England to look for a good settlement and then as work and fishing boat. The Plantation's display will come complete with period costumes and music.

The Wooden Boat Show will be open from 10AM to 6PM on all four days. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children each day. Advance tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children, and may be purchased by sending a check to the Newport Yachting Center, P.O. Box 549, Newport, R.I. 02840 or by calling (401- 846-1600.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT STAINLESS STEEL PROPELLERS

The propeller affects all phases of boating performance—handling, riding, comfort, speed, acceleration, engine life, fuel economy and safety. Modern day outboard and stern drive propellers are made of either aluminum or stainless steel. Aluminum props are favored by most boaters, but more stainless steel props are in use now than ever before.

Popular in racing circles for years, stainless steel props are still relatively unknown to most boaters. Even though they're gaining wider acceptance, many boaters are still curious and want to learn more about the unique advantages of stainless steel

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Stainless steel is a special alloy with excellent corrosion resistance. The stainless steel selected for Quicksilver props has been selected for its strength and durability. Generally, stainless steel props from Quicksilver are as thick as the aluminum props they replace, which makes them five times stronger. No coating is used on Quicksilver stainless steel props since this would increase blade thickness without adding strength. The thicker the blade, the more power required to push it through the water. Some manufacturers apply a coating to their stainless steel props to cover imperfections. The stainless steel props from Quicksilver are designed for all types of boating conditions—commercial, fishing, skiing, racing and cruising. Stainless steel props are available for all Mercury or Mariner outboards from 25 horsepower and up, and all MerCruiser stern drives and inboards.

Increased speed and performance for the same boat and motor is usually only possible by changing the engine installation. An engine mounted higher on the transom or trimmed farther out causes less lower unit drag and usually adds top speed. As engine height is increased, it may be possible to utilize a higher pitch prop which could increase speed. The "High Performance" steel props generally have thinner, more efficient blades. Due to superior strength,

stainless steel props generally have thinner, more efficient blades. Due to superior strength, stainless steel props can be precisely engineered with strong, efficient blades much thinner than aluminum. They are also designed with a higher rake angle and more "cup." This keeps the prop from breaking loose when the engine is raised higher on the transom and trimmed farther out. (Note: Raising engine mounting height may not be desirable for all boats.)

Stainless steel props are less susceptible to damage than aluminum, and are favored where lots of underwater obstacles exist. Usually, a stainless steel propeller will outlast many aluminum props. Due to its increased strength, a stainless steel prop will suffer much less damage than an aluminum prop if an underwater obstacle is struck. Remember, however, rocks and props don't get along, no matter how strong the prop.

Damaged props decrease speed, affect performance and eat up more fuel. If not corrected, the vibration from damage prop blades could ruin seals and bearings in the lower unit, cause serious prop cavitation burning and reduce the life of the gearcase and powerhead. Props should be inspected regularly and chips and dents repaired for optimum performance and economy.

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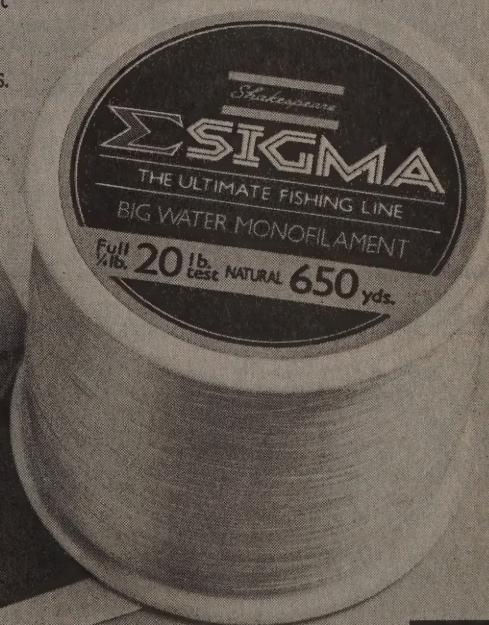
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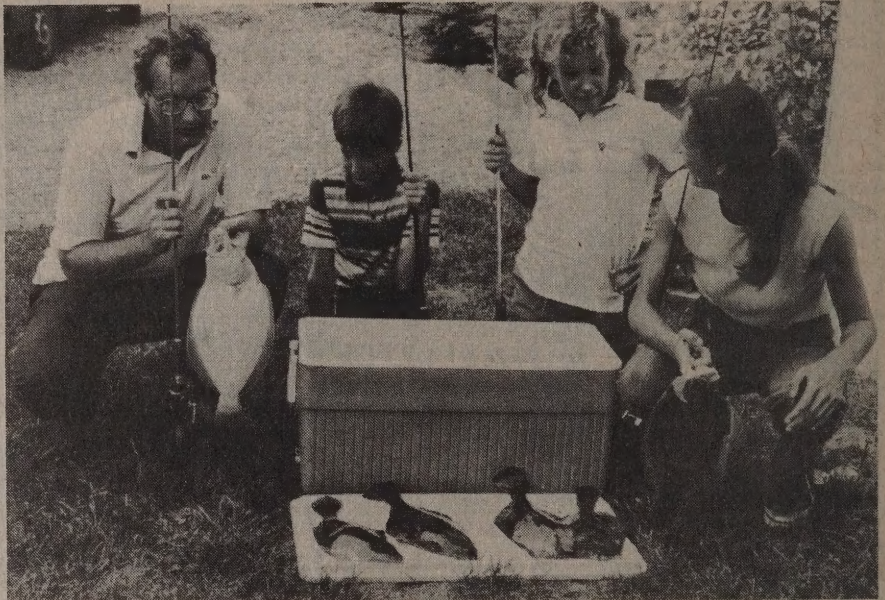
Artificials are rapidly gaining a solid reputation as fluke killers on both shores of the Island.

Most fluke aficionados come to the bucktail at an advanced stage in their flatfishing careers, perhaps on a day when not much else is happening. With action so slow and only a couple of keepers in the box or on the stringer, every drift seems to become more tiresome. Finally, you spy the little spinning outfit with the feather, perhaps the one you brought along for snappers, and you let the lure settle after a short cast. Hop, hop, then RAP! Five minutes later you and the best fluke of the day are eyeballing one another as you reach for the net. Suddenly, the realization hits, just like it did with us six years ago on Shinnecock Bay, that in clear, shallow water, the technique of bucktailing is a deadly one.

We were fishing the last of the outgoing near the Inlet and running back and forth in an ancient livery skiff from a now defunct fishing station, Bradley's. After a couple of hours we'd grown tired of slopping around with all nine possible combinations of strip baits-plus-fish, i.e., sea robin, fluke belly, and squid-spearing, sand eels and killies. The fluke were small, maybe one 15 inch keeper out of every five individuals, but they were plentiful and it seemed like our standard medium spinner loaded with eight pound test had the little fellows badly outgunned. So we reached for an ultralight outfit and four pound test line and had a grand time catching and releasing fish on quarter ounce white bucktails tipped with tiny strips.

Subsequent outings were not nearly productive, but we had to learn by trial and error. On several occasions about four years ago, we tried tipping bucktails with large strip baits or with whole small fish off Shelter Island. We had our share of tentative strikes, short strikes, clipped baits, bad hook-ups, and lots of frustration. Evidently, if you carried the tipping of a bucktail to extremes with large bait, you got the classic tentative grab-and-hold by the summer flounder, and you might just as well return to the tried and true dropback. Then the inevitable thought comes to mind—namely, if you want to dropback, why not stay with standard fluke rigs altogether?

Another source of frustration was



The Wollan family came up from Washington, D.C. to take this fine catch of fluke near Mattituck on the Sound. Many of the fish, the large ones in particular, fell for tipped bucktails.

our lack of success in certain areas we knew were loaded with fluke, like the summertime rips off Gardiner's Island. With large bucktails in the one to two ounce sizes, we could plumb the bottom nicely in 30 to 50 feet of water, but the fluke wanted nothing to do with squid-tipped bucktails and 5/0 hooks. Only recently did we correlate bucktail size and fluke size and come up with a working hypothesis. Apparently, fluke under 3½ pounds really like to jump on **small** bucktails. Get a quarter ounce white or yellow bucktail dressed on a #1 or #2 hook down to them; tip it with a narrow 1½ inch pennant of squid or of fluke belly for scent, and they'll climb aboard. If your feathers are larger than half an ounce, you'd better have some larger sub-doormats or doormats in the area. Naturally, this creates a problem whenever the average summer flounder are bare 15 inch keepers or even 17 to 18 inch fish.

However, if you are willing to stick with large jigs and go for quality rather than quantity, persistence might pay off. Back about five or six years ago when Peconic tiderunners

were number one on Long Island's springtime list, large bucktails produced sensational weakfish catches from the Middle Grounds and Jessup's. The fishermen who went wide and drifted the feathers through deep cuts nearer Nassau Point had even more sensational by-catches, including doormat fluke of incredible proportions—10 to 15 pounds. Also, we're told that Chesapeake anglers actually prefer two to three ounce bucktails while fishing for big springtime fluke around the Bay Bridge, and that wire-lining bass trollers off Huntington encounter some of the Sound's biggest summer flatties on their bucktails. Thus, the big bucks do have their big innings, provided there are large fluke around.

Still, the shallow bars and cuts near the beaches provide most of the best bucktailing for fluke whenever waters are clear. Last season, Bill Czech at Jamesport Bait, tipped us off on a concentration of fluke that were banging away on sand eels tight to the beach off Mattituck Inlet. We had some of the most interesting fishing of the summer one June morning, casting a quarter ounce white Hamp-

son bucktails and little chrome Uppermans off the sand with light spinning outfits. Through August, many of those fluke hung around the Inlet, and we enjoyed excellent fluking several times in 6 to 10 foot depths off the bars to the east, whenever winds were light enough and drifts were slow enough to allow us to hop the little jigs off the bottom effectively.

On certain days, we noted a tendency for the fish to strike short or bump the feathers. By letting the bucktails drop back to the sand and jumping them a few times, we made solid connections. Ultralight spinning or conventional tackle was perfect for the job, and with only 15 to 40 feet of line at work, almost any rod did suitably well. For safety's sake we finished off gossamer lines with a foot or two of 15 to 20 pound test material, just in case the sandy shoals hid a flatfish big enough or mean enough to engulf the whole bucktail and strip.

Water clarity is also a factor. Sight feeder that he is, old *Paralychthys dentatus* comes to a lure better, the better he sees it. Down on the Chesapeake in the mid-70s, we observed that the best innings for attractors like spinners and spinner-fly combinations occurred when inlet waters were clear, and a couple of instructive sessions on Montauk party packets later gave the same results. In any case, flashing lures seldom alarm aggressive fluke, and party boat pools are won often enough on outlandish rigs that include feathers and attractors whenever the big flatfish spot them clearly. Personally we avoid hardware, but we do crave large fluke so big bucktails seem to be a good compromise.

In truly deep waters where big fluke are known to lurk, it might pay to experiment with variations of the tipped bucktail. In those deep cuts known to contain doormats, why not try a modest one-half to one ounce feather tipped with a bit of fluke belly or squid some four to five feet behind and a foot above a big bank sinker? On a slow drift in 40 to 60 feet of water this cross between a standard bucktail and the Plum Gut bass rig offers a lot of possibilities.

More and more fluke fans seem to be using the bucktail as one of the weapons in their arsenals. For example, Jim DeVita at Skidmore's told us that he did extremely well on Moriches Bay last season by tipping Salty Dogs as well as bucktails with strips of squid. It speaks for the effectiveness of the technique that some anglers even start fluking that way. An acquaintance who lives near Mattituck Inlet on the Sound asked us just last week about current fluking conditions there, and he gave us a strange look when we began to natter about spearing and sand eel/squid combos on the standard 36 inch leader. "Don't you use bucktails like we do?" he queried. Apparently, fishing just off the beach, he's never fished anything else!

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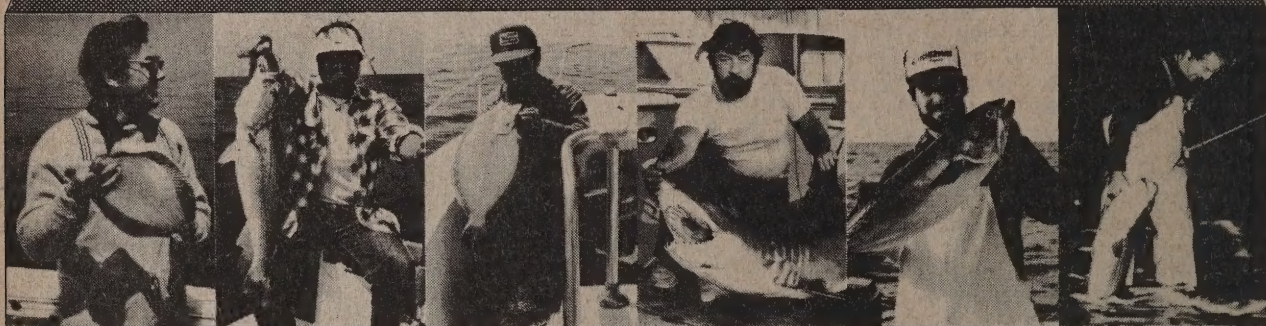
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BLUEFISHING MADE EASY

by Lou Mauriello

Open boats afford the average angler a chance to enjoy some wild bluefish action.

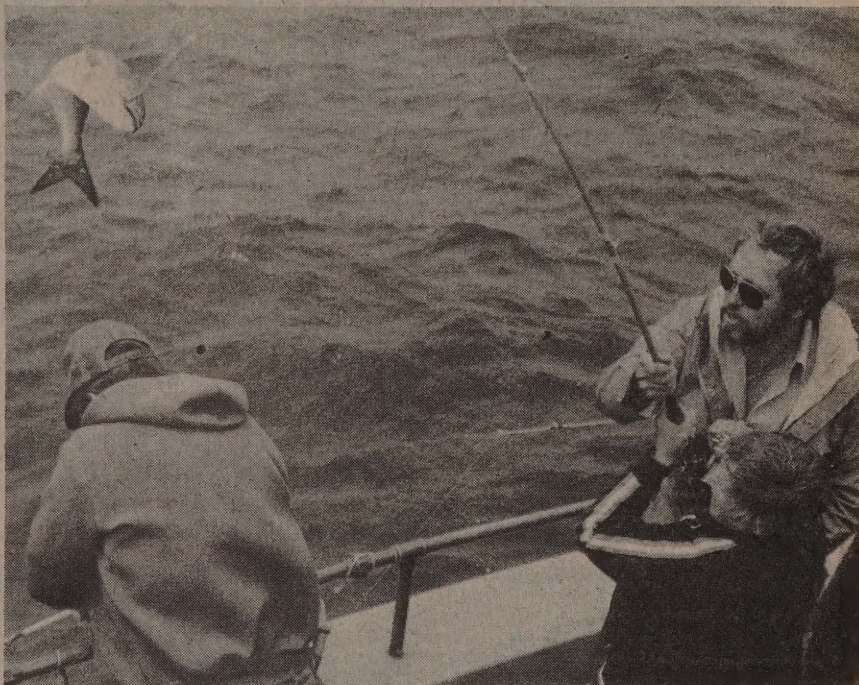
During most of the year, many fishermen—myself included—are quite content in the pursuit of our bottom species such as flounder, fluke, blackfish, porgies, etc. During the late part of spring, however, we in the New York area witness an invasion of our fertile fishing grounds by a horde of eating machines we know as bluefish. These fish will stay with us right through late November, as long as the water temperature is to their liking, and provide the average working man a shot at some top-notch game fishing for only the price of a party boat fare.

Some may scoff and say that true game fishing only exists out in the far off canyons, but I have to disagree with them. While it is true those offshore fishermen bring in marlin, longfin albacore and other exotic species, we must remember those long junkets cannot be made by the once a week fisherman because of the prohibitive prices involved. I have no remorse at not being able to run offshore though, as anyone who has tangled with a teen-sized bluefish can well agree.

During the summer, while fishing for fluke from my own boat, I always carry a one-handed spinning rod of about seven feet in length with a matching reel, loaded with 10 pound test monofilament and a large assortment of artificials, just in case I run into those tailor blues which can be found in the bays. Fight these small fish on light tackle and you will surely have something to remember.

My favorite way of fishing for blues though, and many seem to agree with me, is to board one of the numerous party boats that can be found from one end of Long Island to the other. In this way, I don't have to be bothered with anything but the actual catching of the fish. For those of you who have never had the opportunity to fish for blues from a small boat, you don't know what you are missing. Not only do you get to pay for the gas, bait, chum, etc., but you also get to assist in the work for the day. Even though I am not a lazy person, I prefer to do my bluefishing from a boat where I can relax.

My personal advice in choosing which boat to fish on is really quite simple. First, figure out which port you intend to sail from. I now do my bluefishing from Freeport, but only because it is about five minutes from



A medium size chopper is hoisted over the rail of a head boat. Chaos reigns when slammer size blues are encountered.

my home. Once you have decided what port you are going to sail from, check your local newspaper ads or the ads in this magazine and see who is sailing for blues from those ports. The next part is critical. Get in your car and take a ride to that port and wait for the boats to dock and inspect their catch. Not the fish that are on the deck for sale, as these may be the product of as many as 10 or 12 people who fish for the boat and split the profits at the end of the day. Rather, I suggest you speak to the folks who are disembarking and see how they enjoyed their day and how well they caught. Remember, it is your hard earned money you will be paying for that long awaited trip, so don't be ashamed to ask questions beforehand.

Once you have found what boat you will want to sail with, you should get into the matter of tackle. I have a wall filled with custom gear that I have accumulated over 25 years of fishing, but if I were forced to choose only one rod and reel combo, it would definitely be a seven to eight foot rod with a fast taper and a Penn Jigmaster reel loaded with 30 pound test monofilament. My reasons for this are numerous. With a fast taper rod, you

will be able to get the maximum amount of sport if you should encounter smaller fish and if the rod has sufficient backbone, you will be able to handle the biggest blue that swims. The Jigmaster reel proves its worth if you will be jigging for the fish. Its high gear ratio makes the lures move along at a pace the bluefish seem to like. Make sure you have a metal spool on your reel as the pressure exerted by the line on a plastic spool can pop the side plates. Of that I speak from personal experience. The monofilament line should be from any name brand manufacturer and checked regularly during the day for nicks. It is amazing how a gaff or a guide on your rod can chop up your line and weaken it; so be attentive on this matter. With this type of rig, you can either fish with bait or work lures for bluefish, depending on what they are hitting on.

A few years ago, we had a big selection of lures for bluefish. We either used the diamond jig or the diamond jig. More recently, however, all sorts of lures have come into the market and surprisingly, most of

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them catch fish if worked properly. Last summer, I learned the tiger striped jig actually works when my son and I conspired in the catching of 38 bluefish up in the Sound. Almost all lures to be used for bluefish, with a few exceptions, should be used for bluefish, with a few exceptions, should be cast out as far as possible, allowed to sink to the bottom and then reeled in as fast as you can. In this manner, the bluefish is led to believe your lure is a baitfish which is trying to elude him. This is where a high speed reel excels and believe me you will catch your share if you are using one. If you are not sure of how to work the jig properly, just watch the folks who are catching the fish and imitate them. Once the fish is hooked, don't try to horse him in, but do walk him around the boat if necessary. If you act as if your shoes are nailed to the deck, you are going to make a lot of enemies on that boat and you will be in for a miserable day.

So far, I've mentioned jigging for blues, but not baitfishing for them. It seems that during the last several years the bluefish have not been drawn to chum during the daylight hours as they once used to. Why this is so is anybody's guess, but I like to theorize that because of the tremendous sand eel glut in our area during the same period of time, the bluefish will hold to chum only at night. As in all fishing, though, this is not a hard

and fast rule, but rather a generality.

Because of the above findings, I, like many others, prefer to do my bluefishing at night. It is in this area that party boats excel, and you would have to go a long way to find better fishing anywhere. You can sense something special is happening as the boat leaves the inlet and the sun is slowly setting in the west. Usually, the wind lays down at the end of the day, making night fishing a pleasant affair. When jigging for blues, I like a position up in the bow of the boat but when night fishing, that means anchoring and the use of bait, so I arrive at the dock well before sailing time so that I can grab a spot at the stern. Normally, when anchored, the lines will stream out from the stern and this makes for easier and better fishing for those people who have those spots. On the occasion when you may have wind against tide and the current takes the lines away from the bow, there is usually enough room to scoot up there to take advantage of the situation.

Since night fishing is basically a baitfishing situation, you can leave the tackle box with the lures at home. I just bring my rod and reel and my storm gear. Before I go any further, I definitely feel storm gear is essential on a bluefish trip. If you've ever had a bluefish regurgitate chum on your pants, you know what I mean. The first few times that happened to me,

the folks on the subway weren't too happy. But that's another story; back to the boat.

I don't get too upset about hooks to be used while baitfishing, as I have found that any boat that fishes for blues will have the proper tackle aboard. I usually purchase these hooks from the crew by the half dozen so that no time will be lost if any should be lost during a good bite. The one thing I do insist on is tying on my own hooks. I use what is called the improved clinch knot. It is very simple and will not slip and also has excellent strength. To tie it you simply pass the line through the eye of the swivel and then come through again. Now, you take the loose end and wrap it upwards around the line about five or six turns. You then take that end and place it through both of the loops by the swivel and tighten it up. Believe me, you will never lose a fish because of knot failure if you use this knot. It's a funny thing, though, after using this knot for about 25 years, I read somewhere that a major manufacturer of fishing line last year showed this exact same knot and named it after their product. They should have asked me a long time ago how to tie it and could have saved a lot of money for research.

Once rigged up, and the boat is anchored, what next? My favorite method is to let the bait back in the current with the least amount of

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weight necessary to get it to the level the fish are feeding at. I like to use rubber-cored split shot as they don't nick the line when put on. It is at this point that using a longer than normal rod and fishing with the line going directly away from you will pay off. At times, I have witnessed people having to use sinkers to get down to the proper level to catch fish. Instead, I will let out as much line as necessary to hook into a bluefish. If the line is going directly away from you and you are using a sufficiently long rod, you will have no problem in controlling the baited hook or hooked fish away from other lines.

I have found that bluefish will normally hit a baited hook while on the run and present no problem in hooking them. Other times, though, they can get a bit picky and will play with the bait before taking it deep enough to where they can be hooked. In either case, I fish with the reel in free spool so that when I feel a fish on the bait I can let him run a few feet. I then lock up the reel with the rod pointed at the water and lean back firmly to set the hook. This method works well no matter what kind of bait is in use, but especially well if you are using smelt for bait as it takes a few seconds for the bluefish to get the whole fish in its mouth.

Once you have the fish in sight, and you don't think you can lift him over the rail, call for the gaff. When the mate has sunk the gaff into the fish, don't forget to give him slack line so that he has some room to work with. When the fish has been decked, one of the most important things to remember is that bluefish have a very nasty set of teeth. When much younger, I saw a man lose most of his thumb because he had to save a twenty-five cent hook that was in the mouth of a not-too-happy bluefish. If you don't know how to go in through the gills to retrieve a deeply swallowed hook, cut the darned thing off and tie on a new one. This way, you can save a lot of time and more importantly, a lot of stitches.

If you are fortunate enough to catch a large amount of bluefish, please don't use them to fertilize the rose bushes. I normally give away my excess fish to those aboard who have been less fortunate than I. If everyone had a good night's fishing, the mates are the recipients of the fish I won't use. These fellows work hard and can make a buck when they sell them, so are glad to receive them. Also, the next time you sail with them, they may just give you that extra bit of attention you desire to make your night complete.

All told, fishing for blues aboard one of the party boats is the best way to learn the little tricks that will make you score consistently. You can take your pick of day or night trips and be able to fish in relative comfort under most conditions. This season, if you get the urge to go game fishing, hop a party boat and you, too, may agree it is the easiest way to fish for bluefish.

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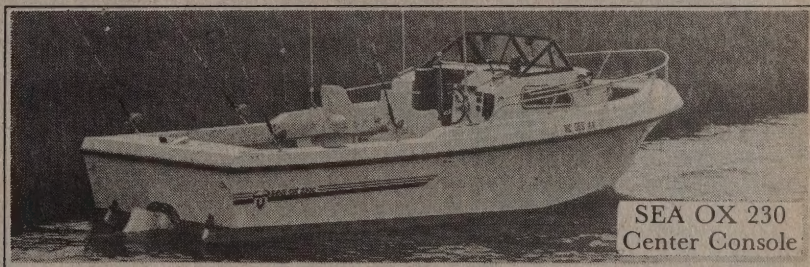
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CRABBING AND STUFF

by Matt Ahern

There's nothing fancy about the equipment and you don't have to travel far to catch them, but catching crabs can be a barrel of fun for the whole family.

Before continuing, I first want to thank those fishermen who overwhelmed me with "get-well" cards and letters during my recent illness. And the telephone calls! For awhile there I thought that phone would never cease its ringing. But gradually things got back to normal, and as they did, and as the days passed (and bolstered by all those good wishes), I became more and more like myself. And here I am—back at the same old stand! Again, my heart-felt thanks to all you fellows. As I've said many, many times: there's no one quite like a fellow fisherman. One thing's for sure: there's no problem knowing who my friends are. Your kindness will always be remembered.

Now for a little crabbing and stuff. I don't know about you, but when August arrives I begin to think of putting in a little time crabbing. Forgotten for a time is the pursuit of fluke, porgies, sea bass, etc. Not only that, crabbing is the ideal sport for fishermen of all ages; the cost is negligible and the results are usually satisfactory.

Crabs are found in the shallows around bulkheads, piers, bridge abutments, spillings, creek banks, and

from the tide line out to the deeper bay waters.

Blue claws usually put in an appearance toward the end of June. These early arrivals are generally average in size and it isn't until late August and September when catches of larger crabs are common. If the weather continues on the mild side with the approach of fall, the largest crabs of the season are caught during October—as many a surprised flounder fisherman has discovered. It is the wise flounder fisherman who hangs a trap over the side at this time of year.

There are several methods used to catch crabs, each simplicity itself and guaranteed to produce much fun and action for young and old alike. Of these methods, about the most popular is the well-known crab trap, available in all tackle shops and most hardware stores for a nominal price. Directions for assembly and use are easily followed and the trap takes but a few minutes to put together. Bait with whole fish, fish heads, killies, squid, or anything of a like nature. Be sure to anchor the bait securely or the crabs will march right off with it.

Another method, one which affords more fun and action, is the use of a

killie ring. This is made with any piece of scrap wire capable of holding a circular shape about five inches in diameter. It should be pliable enough so that each end can be hooked together after the bait is strung on. Any type sinker heavy enough to hold bottom is placed on the ring.

Killy crabbing is best done from an anchored boat, or wherever the ring can be lowered straight up and down, as from a pier, for instance. If the ring is cast out and dragged over rough bottom on the way in, the crabs are likely to become frightened and release their hold on the bait. Any type of line or cord can be used to lower the ring, but I would stay away from monofilament as it has a tendency to snarl easily. Drop line cord will be found to work best.

It is best to use the largest killies in the bait box. String them lengthwise, one behind the other, until the wire is full—much like stringing a pearl necklace. I usually poke the wire through the killie's head and out the vent...this assures that the feisty crab will have to work for its meal and hopefully so occupied, he won't be aware he's being pulled off the bottom. Even with all your stealth you



Be selective about the crabs you take and return the small guys. Big blue claws such as this one are most prevalent in the fall, but are taken during the summer as well.

won't land 'em all, but you'll get enough to make it worthwhile. If killies are not available, use any of the baits listed for the crab trap.

I always enjoy this type of crabbing for it is much like handline fishing. The crab's tugging at the bait is telegraphed up the line. When this is felt, the line is slowly and **smoothly** drawn to the surface in one continuous motion. It is important not to break the smooth flow of the retrieve. If any hesitation of too long a period is noticed by the crab, it will immediately release its hold on the bait and return to the bottom. Crabs never leave an area where they find a good food supply; therefore, that overly-cautious crab, which left you a minute ago will be down there waiting for you to return the bait.

When using the killy ring it is necessary to have a scoop net handy...better yet, have a buddy along, then you can take turns netting each other's crabs. It is practically impossible to swing a crab into the boat without it first letting go. A net when killy-ring fishing is a must!

Now comes the type of crabbing I've enjoyed from boyhood. To me at the time it was the be-all and end-all of crabbing. I have many fond memories associated with "crab scalping." No bait is needed, just a crab net and the ability to find crabs clinging to spillings or bulkheads. A boat is helpful, but not strictly essential. What you do is look for crabs as they hold onto those spillings, etc., a foot or so below the surface. The net is then placed under the crab and an attempt is made to scoop it in. Sounds, easy, I know, but you'll quickly discover how swift crabs can be when danger is sensed. They disappear in a flash, so the net must be plied with stealth and caution. Again, you'll never get 'em all, but it's a sure-fire method of testing your coordination.

A minute ago I said I had many fond memories of boyhood crabbing. And I do. And one of the first places I went crabbing was under the Canarsie Pier. This was about 1926, or so, when I was about 11 or 12 years old. Artie Leidecker, Jimmy Anderson, and I would rent a rowboat (no outboards those times and fifty cents a day). We would row under the pier and then scull along from piling to piling, scooping single and double-headers from just about every one. The higher the tide became, the more crabs we got. July and August were the best months and there was no bit of trouble filling a bushel basket. These we sold on the pier for twenty-five cents a dozen; any softies we got, went home with us. We usually managed a dozen of these and we divided them up.

And then one day we found a dead man! That sort of put the kibosh on our crabbing for awhile. There he was, tucked way under the pier, half in the water and half on the rocks, on his back. Not a pleasant sight for kids to see. Maybe we had no outboard

that day, but we gave a fair imitation of one as we hauled our fannies out of there. Three frightened kids who could hardly tell the rowboat station owner what we'd found. The police came and after an interval of time, the body was brought up. Who he was, no one knew, although rumors flew thick and fast. To this day, it's a mystery to me, although not too long ago Artie said he recalls hearing at the time that the poor guy fell overboard from the Roxbury ferry. Fifty-seven years ago...and I still haven't forgotten it.

When we were kids, Artie and I believed that crabs were capable of removing a finger as easily as a meat cleaver and we always held them with much respect. This act of mayhem isn't so, of course, but a crab can and will inflict a painful slash with those lightning, sharp-toothed claws, a wound which is guaranteed to leave an aching reminder for several days. (Should this calamity happen to you, quickly place your hand or foot, or whatever, into the water and the crab will let go.)

The best way to pick up a crab is from behind. Gently press your foot (in a shoe, of course!) over the crab's shell, then grasp one of the rear paddle-like swimmerettes. If you do it right, the crab can't reach you—although it will certainly try. If you don't do it right—well...

If kept cool and away from the sun, crabs will live a long time out of water. Should a mass of froth-like

bubbles be noticed coming from their mouths, pour a bucket of salt water over them as soon as possible. This will revive them for awhile.

Incidentally, some fishermen believe crabs generate a gas soon after they die. Whether this is true or not, I don't know, and this belief may be the remnants of an old wife's tale, but it is a good idea to keep your crabs alive until ready for the cooking pot. An investment of a few cents for ice may keep you from a belly ache—or worse.

Crabs are prepared for the table by dropping alive into a pot of rapidly boiling water, to which salt may or may not be added. Boil your crabs at least ten minutes, then remove. When cool, hold under a running cold water faucet, remove the top shell and clean out the insides. Discard the gray, finger-like "dead men" along each side, and then commence picking out that succulent white meat with a nut pick. Um-m-m-m-m-good!

In conclusion—please don't keep those female crabs which carry orange-colored clusters of eggs (called "sponges") on their abdomens. These clusters often contain one to two million eggs! And—please return all undersize crabs; there's nothing on them, anyway. Each locality has its own supply of crabs (they do not migrate). When they reach the point of no return, you've had it...for a good, long time.

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DOG DAY COD

by Ron Onorato

That romantic notion of anglers pitted against the elements in pursuit of the winter king, is just that.

For the longest period of time, cod-fishing has been associated with the cold and blustery winter months. It was envisioned by many fishermen that codfishing was the realm of some old salts standing at the rail of a party boat in a pitching, heaving sea with ice forming on the rod tips. If nothing else, it was a romantic notion of men against the sea and elements.

Today, all of that image has changed. Thanks to the protection

afforded the codfish under the 200 mile limit, they have stormed back like gangbusters. The gradual build-up of the codfish stocks became evident about three years ago when there were occasional showings of small cod mixed in with the bigger steakers. This past winter saw perhaps the best codfishing in over 10 years and things are really looking good for the future.

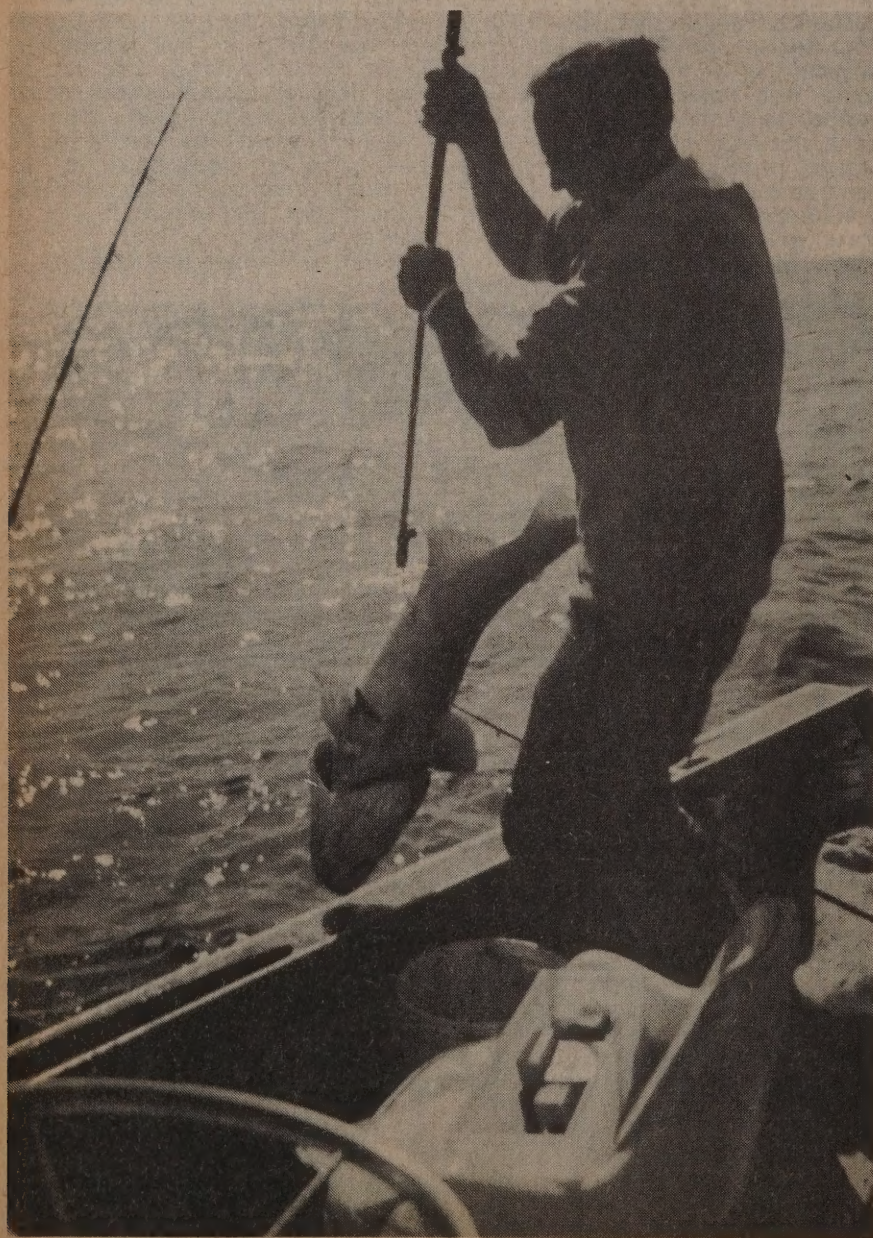
What all this means if the contin-

uance of fine winter and spring cod-fishing and with the overlapping schools, good summertime wreck fishing in the deep-water wrecks. In the fall and early winter, the schools of cod generally set up shop over the inshore wrecks that lie south of Long Island in waters anywhere from 90 to 150 feet deep. Once the water temperature starts its upward climb around the end of May or the beginning of June, the fish begin their deep water migration and begin to settle in the far offshore wrecks that lie 40, 50, or 60 miles off the beach. The fish will then spend the rest of the summer months on these deep-water wrecks until such time that they begin the inshore migration in late November. With the abundance of small and medium sized cod, it looks like this summer will be a banner year on the deep water wrecks, with the usual big soakers often being present.

The nice thing about fishing the deep water wrecks during July and August, is that it affords the fisherman the chance to get in on some very good codfishing while literally fishing in his shirt sleeves. The weather is usually very pleasant and it is nice to catch cod with calm seas. Another plus is that while the codfish are lurking around in the depths near the bottom, big pollack are found many times at mid-level depths of water, and it is not rare to come across big sharks, tuna, or even marlin while anchored or drifting over a wreck. A deep water wreck trip becomes an adventure as fishermen probe the bottom with clams and diamond jigs while other fishermen will be trolling plastic lures for the more exotic game fish.

Any of the wrecks that are in water from 150 to 250 feet deep will have a very good chance of holding codfish as well as some outsized pollack. Since the number of these deep water wrecks is really quite limited, it is pretty much a one-shot deal. If you're going out to fish exclusively for cod and pollack then you're going to be limited to those species. For reasons known only to the fish, a deep water wreck may be teeming with fish on one particular day, and then just a few days later, the wreck may be dead as the proverbial doornail.

Most of the deep water wrecks are fairly large in size and this allows you the chance to drift the wreck. Since you will be hitting the wrecks on fairly



George Oliver wrestles a "steaker" over the gunwale.

calm days, drifting has the edge over trying to anchor. If you're going to try and anchor you're going to have to use some tremendous amount of anchor line to get you setup properly. Some of the more enterprising wreck fishermen will use some sort of cheap grapple and breakaway rope and will hang the grapple into the wreck and then anchor the boat. At the end of the day's fishing, the grapple is usually donated to the wreck when the line breaks. Drifting is usually the better way to get fish on a deep water wreck. While drifting, you'll be able to cover the entire wreck, and at times, only a portion of a wreck will hold fish. If you're going to go for pollack, then drifting will get the better action. Even the cod seem to respond better to a drifting bait. The one bad thing about drifting a wreck is that you will foul the bottom often and it won't take too many lost rigs to empty your reel of line.

I have found that since the water depth is so great, a fast retrieve reel is an absolute must. A 4/0 fast retrieve reel or its equivalent is about the least you should use. In an effort to minimize the amount of lead you will be using, it pays to stay with 30 pound mono. With 30 pound mono you'll be able to handle the biggest fish you'll ever encounter and be able to get away with 10 or 12 ounces of lead. You can rig up the terminal end of the gear with just a single 8/0 Sproat style hook. No need to use two hooks

here; just make sure that you use a couple of skimmer clams on the hook. It is a long way to the top when you have to rebait. Sometimes it is wise to try a piece of hard bait such as fresh squid or conch, or if available, a strip of fresh mackerel or even a chunk of bluefish. When the cod are there and hungry, it doesn't make that much of a difference as to what type of bait will be used.

If the recorder shows that the pollack are numerous on a particular wreck, or even if they are scattered around, then the way to load up on them is with the use of the diamond jig. Although the pollack will take a clam bait, far more of them are caught with the jig and tube combination. Because of the deep water, a jig will have to be heavy enough to get down and stay down, usually this means an 8 or 10 ounce jig.

About two feet above the diamond jig you can attach a single surgical tube via a dropper loop. The jig and tube combination is lowered to the bottom and slowly retrieved to the surface or about halfway up. The key is to get a quick start up from the bottom so the expensive jig isn't fouled into the wreckage. Sometimes you will fool a codfish on this rig, but for the most part, it is the pollack that will go for the metal. If the fish are very heavy, it is not rare to get a double-header of big pollack and then you'll know what hard work is. Many potential world record pollack are

there for the taking on these wrecks.

The location of many of these deep water wrecks are on or near the Hudson Canyon and for many fishermen they are a day saver when the bigeye or yellowfin tuna prove to be uncooperative. Then there are many fishermen who will forget about the other game fish and will spend the day rooting codfish and pollack out of the rocks.

One of the more popular deep water wrecks that produce all summer long is the wreck of the Virginia. This wreck is about 48 miles S/SE of Jones Inlet and it is fished on a regular basis by a handful of outboards as well as the bigger boats. Only a small portion of the wreck is still fishable as a large net is draped over the main part of the wreck. The famed Texas Tower is another great producer, although more pollack than cod will be caught here. Other deep water wrecks are the Bacardi, the Bidevand, and to the east is the Coimbra. All of these deep water wrecks will have cod and pollack at different times during the summer. Also caught on these sunken hulks are some of the biggest sea perch (bergalls) imaginable, and if the codfishing is slow, you can always fill up on perch fillets.

A trip to an offshore wreck is always an adventure, even if the results are fair as far as the fishing goes. The variety of sea life can be astounding, and it is always nice to be able to fish for cod in shirt sleeves.

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LINE UP FOR BIG GAME

by Lou Truppi

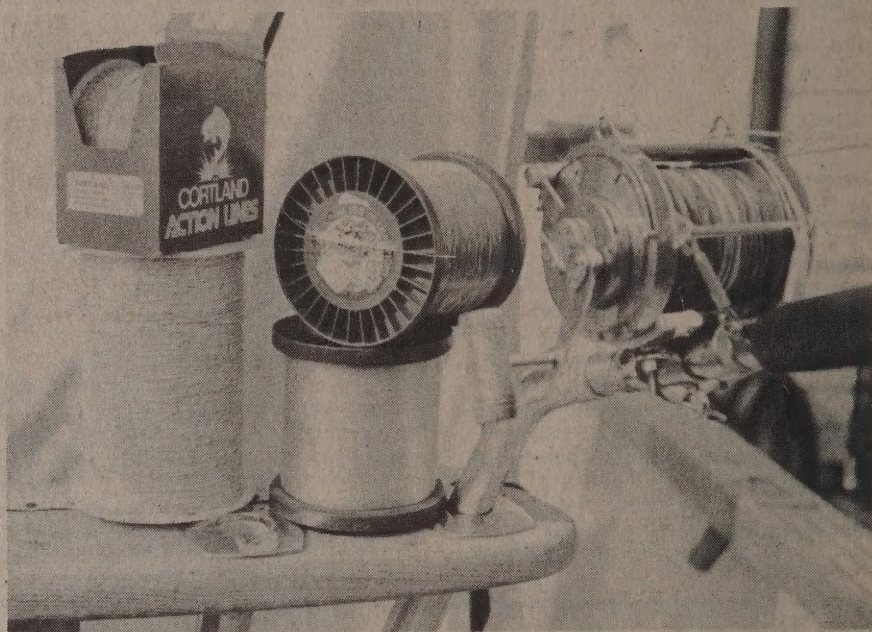
Dacron vs. mono on the offshore grounds—both have good points.

We've all heard the stories around the dock about the big one that got away. Unfortunately, except for accurate size credibility, the big one usually does get away. In many instances, line or knot failure emerge as the culprits. The line and knots that served you well landing the smaller species fail miserably when confronted with 300 pound canyon trolled bigeye tuna or an 800 pound giant tuna.

As more anglers are lured to the canyons and the promise of trophy size fish that are found within their confines, perhaps now more than ever all anglers anticipating making these long offshore runs should familiarize themselves with the correct choices and use of lines. This will enhance their success when a trolled lure suddenly disappears into a five foot hole immediately to the stern of your boat.

Methods of rigging vary as widely as the boats sport fishermen own. Some basic techniques, however, remain unchanged. Most big game fishermen realize the need for good quality terminal tackle, high grade leaders and razor sharp hooks, but when it comes to investing in new line, you'll be amazed at the excuses offered by many anglers. If we looked at tackle exhibited on ten boats moored at any local dock, you would probably observe many have mastered these fundamentals, but the others move into "the one that got away" category every time they put to sea. Let's see if we can help to rig correctly and thereby withstand the rigors of landing a trophy size fish. It will help prepare for landing that once in a lifetime trophy.

Fresh lines rate high on my list of initial investments. I can never quite comprehend the economics of purchasing a sport fishing boat worth thousands of dollars, rods and reels worth hundreds containing \$50 worth of line that's been used for the last several seasons. Go for it. Change those lines frequently. These lines can become your only link to perhaps a record fish. Judge for yourself. Only you know how often and how hard you fish, thereby indicating how often you should change those lines. Remember, even the sun's rays tend to weaken monofilament lines as do poor storage techniques. Off-season try to store reels in room temperature without excessive light or heat. All this adds up to keeping lines fresher



Sharks, tuna or billfish—mono and dacron both offer good qualities the other doesn't have.

for future use. The new dacron lines don't require the old style drying techniques. However, to ensure they remain in good shape, cut back on the used portion of line or reverse line on the spool. This will provide you with the fresh portions of line to fish with at all times. Always check line for abrasions or nicks. Peel the first 50 yards or so off the reel and pass it through your fingers for a quick on-the-spot check.

Next, let's review how to properly spool line onto your big game reels. You're probably commenting now that this guy's about to tell me that for the past 10 years I've been installing my lines incorrectly on my bluefish reels. No, not at all. The point is, your method of installing mono for blues and bass was fine, but for canyon or big game fishing, it could prove to be line breaking.

This procedure for proper line installation is relatively simple and can be described in two words—**cross pressure!** Dacrons and monofilament must be installed under pressure to perform under pressure. It's that simple. The critical factors here remain the degree of pressure used for each type of line.

Monofilaments, especially the heavier tests will retain memory. This simply means once the line is put under pressure and stretched, it has a

very strong tendency to return to its natural form. We can readily ascertain this memory factor can cause problems. Many years ago I remember an incident that most vividly portrays what destructive power this memory factor can deliver when not curtailed. I boarded a party boat to fish for tuna at the Mud Hole. En route, an elderly angler in the stern of the boat decided to re-spool his 100# mono on a 12/0 reel. Well, the result of this attempt was quite surprising to me and all on board. The 500 or so yards of line when retrieved literally built up enough pressure to crush that huge spool, rendering that 12/0 reel useless. This same stretch factor works against the angler when fighting big fish on monofilament line. He finds himself spending hours fighting a fish that should be boatside in half the time. These heavier monos also become difficult to double using the Bimini twist. When spooling the heavier monos, only enough pressure should be applied to make sure line is tight. The use of high speed trolling combined with tight drags increase the chance of loosely wound line burying itself into the lower courses of line. This will cause tremendous pressure and result in a lost fish. You can eliminate this situation by simply crossing every third course of mono when filling the reel. This crossed

method retards the chances for the line to bury itself even under the pressure of a heavy drag. One last thought where monos are concerned. My own experience leads me to strongly favor dacron lines when fishing 80 lb. or heavier class tackle. This type line is favored by more big game anglers when dealing with the true heavyweight blue water species than any other, and for good reasons.

Dacron lines are braided and soft so most lay flat on the reel. Unlike the heavy monos they do not take a set or build excessive pressure on the reel's spool. Their flat characteristics enable more line to be spooled on your reels. They're hollow so they can be spliced, knotted and cored to form double lines without excessive bulk.

Therefore, when all has been said, my choice for battling these canyon bruisers goes to the dacron lines. Another factor that now enters into this choice of dacrons is the fact that now you can purchase fluorescent style dacron lines. These will provide an adequate site advantage to the angler's towing a half dozen or more lures astern of his boat. Previously only the fluorescent style monos could perform this task. Being able to see your lines has many great advantages, one being in the case of multiple hook-ups. The angler can readily ascertain which line is his and prevent fish losing tangles.

So now we all have very little reason not to choose dacron lines for all our big game fishing. Their advantages when faced with a multitude of tasks on the offshore grounds can spell profound success for you.

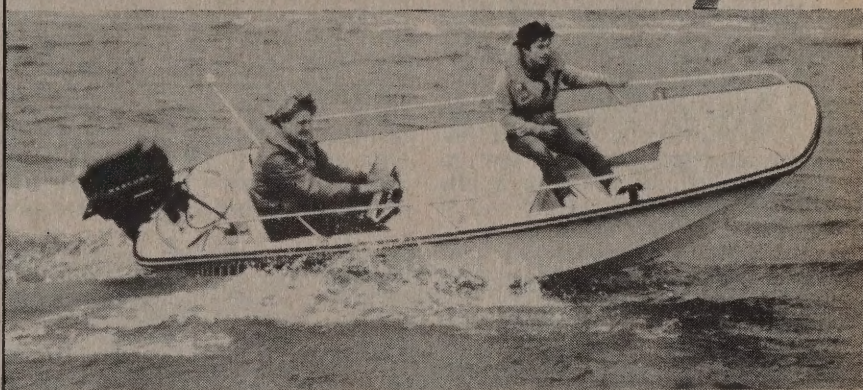
When purchasing dacron lines, remember to choose the hollow cored lines. Most do have hollow centers, but some openings are larger thus making an easier task if you decide to splice your line. This is a prime point to consider because 99 percent of the anglers using this line will sooner or later splice it. This feature does not appreciably add to the line's diameter.

I might point out that when chumming for giant tuna, the preferred dacron color is black. Tuna possess very keen eyesight and at times will shy away from the light colored lines. So bear this in mind for chumming for a variety of fish if you choose to use the dacron lines.

So there you have point and counterpoint: dacron versus mono-filament. I think you'll agree that over 50 lb. class tackle is the realm of dacron line. The lighter classes perform admirably with the monos. The choice, of course, is up to the individual anglers; but if you have any doubts, give the dacrons a chance for an honest comparison by installing them on your heavier outfits. Whatever you finally decide on, remember to change that line frequently. Mono-filaments should be changed several times a season, while dacrons have a longer life. Check the line frequently for signs of wear, for in the long run, you may find the big one doesn't always get away!

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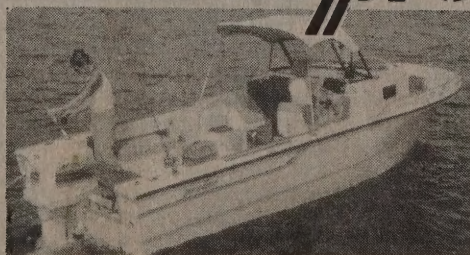
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DEEP TROLLING BLUES

Part Three — *by Pete Barrett*

A look at wire line trolling in rips and offshore areas for alligator blues.

The rip looked promising. Gulls and terns swept down and plunged into the choppy water emerging moments later with bait dangling from their bills. Back and forth we worked, crabbing the boat along the edge of the rough water, always keeping the lures in the rip itself as we glided over the slick water at the head of the rip.

Slowly at first, the tide built rapidly within an hour and suddenly one of

the rods dipped hard and the click announced the fish as it pulled line against the drag. "Alligator," Robbie said as the rod dipped in response to the rapid head shakes of the telltale fight of a bluefish—but this was no little summer blue, this was a slammer. It yanked hard against the wire and every vibration was transmitted to Robbie's hands. "Man, feel that fish go! He's taking more line.

Come on back here, fish."

Foot by foot he cranked and pumped the rod tip, gaining line every time he lowered the rod. Pumping the tip back high again, he gained more line until the fish was within gaffing range. "Don't blow it now," he remarked, but I'd already slipped the gaff into the head of the fish and he was on his way over the gun'l and headed for the fish box. The



Medium bluefish like this seven pounder often hit best on lures trolled on wire.

bluefish glistened in the early sun, reflecting a purple, silver and green sheen off its scales.

"Pretty fish," remarked Rob and quickly dropped the tube back into the rip for another shot at a big blue. The method that day was to troll wire line. Because of shoal waters and nearby sharp rises and falls just off an irregular bottom with sharp dropoffs, wire was the best choice. Downriggers and planers wouldn't have worked well in the fast changing bottom and shallow water, so the nod went to wire outfits.

Single strand stainless or monel wire does outshine the previously mentioned methods in this three part series on deep trolling for blues. Where wire cannot reach the great depths of the planers and especially the downriggers, wire really comes into its own in shallower water and where the bottom changes rapidly.

Tackle should be of the 3/0 to 4/0 size. The Daiwa 300HW and 400HW, and the Penn 112H and 113H are the best reels for this method of fishing because of their stainless steel spools which won't corrode from interaction between saltwater and the monel wire.

Rods should have carboloy, heavy duty boat style Fuji or roller guides to prevent excessive wear on the guides. Rod action needn't be too stiff, a common mistake many beginning wire line trollers make. Choose a rod that is similar to a 30 pound class rod blank. The action of the rod as it pulsates with the action of the waves or from the action from a lure transmitted up the wire helps make the lures work better and the less stiff rods are more fun to fish with.

Place 200 yards of backing on the reel, either dacron or heavy mono and then fill the reel with 100 yards of wire. Forty pound test is the most popular, while 30 and 50 pound test are also frequently used.

A haywire twist attaches the wire to the backing with a barrel swivel in the middle. Another haywire attaches a barrel swivel at the end of the wire so you can add a short leader. If the rod has roller guides you must use an Albright knot instead of the haywire twist.

The leader can be short and many bluefish trollers use only 5 to 10 feet of leader. Unlike which wire line trolling for striped bass where the huge size and initial power of the strike might snap the line unless a shock absorbing leader was used; with bluefish the short leader serves as an aid to boat the fish. Many trollers find it far easier to grab a flexible leader to haul the fish aboard, rather than having wire direct to the lure. Wire reeled to the rod tip and then twisted and bent as a fish is gaffed and unhooked can be snapped or weakened so it snaps later. A short 40 to 60 pound mono leader is a help.

At the end of the leader use a large Duo-Lock or Berkley Cross Lock snap to attach the lure. No swivel is needed with plugs or umbrella rigs, but spoons can play havoc with wire if they spin while being trolled. If a

spoon is used as the lure, add a trolling drail—a torpedo shaped sinker with bead chain molded into it—at the head end of the leader where it meets the wire. The drail helps stabilize the twisting motion because of its inherent weight and the bead chain releases the twisting action of the lure as it spins.

Trolling speed will vary depending on the boat. My twin outboard rig trolls between 900 and 1200 RPM for blues. At that speed, I gain 5 feet of depth for every 50 feet of wire in the water, not counting line in the air between the rod tip and the water.

You can gain additional depth by adding four ounce trolling drails. Each additional drail will take you down three to five feet of extra depth.

Some lures will dig deeper, like Danny plugs, Rebels and deep Bombers with large planing trolling lips. If you are marking blues below the range of the depth of the wire, use a deep diving plug to gain the extra needed depth.

Charter boats will sometimes slow down momentarily, taking the engines out of gear to allow the lures to sink to a lower level where the fish may be. Moments later the boat is put back into gear and as the lures are trolled through the blues, the hookup should occur.

As mentioned in the beginning of this section, rips, where shallow water meets deep on the changing tide is a prime area for trolling with wire. If the shallow water is rocky, use single tubes which will hang up less than a lure like an umbrella rig or a plug. Spoons will also hang up less on "grabby" bottom.

Watch to see which direction the boat moves as you get strikes. If the hits occur on a turn, that tells you the lures are either too high or too low, or too fast or too slow. Hits on an inboard line on the turn are slowing and dropping deeper; the outboard line is gaining speed and rising.

Strikes on the inboard line tell you to slow down slightly and go deeper, while strikes on the outside line tell you to speed up slightly and raise the lures.

Make mental notes of the direction of the troll on each strike. There are many times when the fish will hit only in one direction; so keep an eye on the compass to favor that one direction.

After the strike and the hookup, keep the boat in gear if you have been trolling into the wind. Placing the boat in neutral will not only take all the tension off the line, but the wind will blow you back over the hooked fish. Keep the boat in gear and make a slight turn to use the wind to keep tension on the line. If you get the strike with the wind at your back, you can slip the boat out of gear.

Trolling is an art, with wire line one part of that art. Like all methods of deep trolling, it has its best days when it works best. The well-equipped and prepared angler will use wire techniques when the opportunity arrives.

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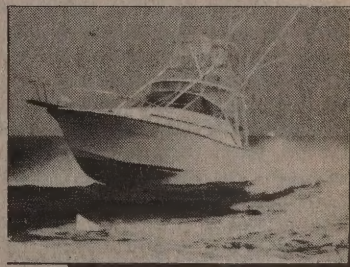
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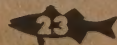
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RIGS FOR SURF AND SHORE

by Gerald Hahn

**Every bait rig has its place.
Knowing when to bring each one into play is the key.**

Ask any experienced surf man if he would rather catch a game fish with lures or bait, and the answer he'll give you, of course, is lures. Push him a little further, though, and he will admit that most game fish are caught with bait. Perhaps it wasn't always so, but in recent years bass and weakfish have declined and blues have taken to deep water. There are several reasons for this: poor year classes among bass spawning in the Chesapeake Bay region, a current downward trend in the weakfish cycle, and increased fishing pressure on blues by commercial and sport fishing fleets. Pollutants washed inshore haven't helped, either. Perhaps as significant has been the change in baitfish populations, resulting in a monopoly of sand eels and a severe decline in mossbunker and spearing. Nature works best when different species, including baitfish, compete. Lately, prolific snappers and tailor blues have also been contributing to the scarcity of inshore game fish. These young members of the bluefish family feed on the larvae or young of many species, including predatory fish.

Of course, there are still times, albeit infrequent ones, when schools of predators trap baitfish inshore, and surf men catch fish with lures. Two years ago, for example, surfcasters experienced good spring weakfishing with artificials on both the north and south shores and around Peconic Bay. For the most part, however, game fish are scattered, and therefore, catching them with lures requires an inordinate amount of patience. In other words, it's pointless and fatiguing to cast lures for hours when a well-placed bait will perform a better job on the few fish around. Thus, the surfcaster who wants to score with greater frequency today, must fish not only with a variety of lures, but with assorted natural baits and rigs.

Of all baits attractive to bass, blues and weaks, oily ones no doubt are best, and baitcasting surf men usually maintain a supply of mossbunker, mackerel or herring. Fresh baits are favored over frozen baits, whenever a choice is possible. For instance, schools of bunker are still found in certain sectors of Long Island—especially in the western Sound and

south shore bays—and when they shower the surface, a few should be snagged for bait. A weighted treble hook, called a snatch hook, is attached to the fishing line and whipped through the school until a fish is snagged. The bunker may then be fished live or dead, or frozen for future use. Mackerel are caught in great numbers every spring, and smart surf men save a few for bait as well. Occasionally, herring are mixed in with the macks, and they, too, make excellent game fish baits.

Since these baits are generally too large for casting from shore, they are cut in chunks or sliced in strips. Of the two, I prefer strips because they remain secure on a hook. Moreover, amounts are smaller and the bait is extended. It must be said, however, that many surfcasters favor large, oily chunk baits.

An 8/0 O'Shaughnessy hook, with a long shank, is excellent for rigging chunk baits, which are simply thick steaks cut from the baitfish. The long shank hook is impaled through the skin (not the soft meat) and the bait is pushed up the shank; then the point is impaled a second time near the backbone. A short, six to twelve inch leader, made of nylon-coated wire strands or single strand wire, is favored for blues because of their razor sharp teeth. Coated wire leaders are crimped with metal sleeves to a snap at one end for the hook, and a barrel swivel at the other end for connecting to the fishing line with an improved clinch knot. Single strand wire is attached to both the hook and the swivel with haywire twists. When fishing with chunk baits for easily frightened bass, however, a heavy plastic leader of 40 pound test is preferable; for weaks, a 30 pound test snelled leader is adequate. Leaders intended for bass or weaks are generally longer than those intended for blues, and may extend to 2½ feet, anything larger being awkward for casting. A barrel swivel should be added to snelled leaders as well, for it makes a strong link to the fishing line and reduces line twist. Chunk baits are generally fished on the bottom, with a sinker of suitable weight below the hook. A piece of monofilament serves this purpose; by tying an end loop for the sinker and an

improved clinch knot to the upper eye of the swivel, the same eye that secures the fishing line. For blues, the sinker can be tied six to twelve inches below; for weaks or bass, about one to two and a half feet below.

Some fishermen work chunk baits at mid-level water, especially at night when predators feed higher up. The chunk is rigged as before, but no sinker is employed, or at best, a small clinch sinker is secured about one or two feet above the hook. Some people add a cork float to the leader, which keeps the bait off the bottom. Floating rigs are highly effective along the back sides of inlets.

Strips from the same baitfish are simply fillets cut from the back, the belly side being too soft. The fillets are then cut into wedges about two or three inches long by one inch wide, with the skin left on. Some anglers taper the strip to a point at one end. An excellent bluefish hook for strip bait is a brown 6/0 O'Shaughnessy or Beak on a brown single strand wire leader about five inches long. A dark barrel swivel completes this low visibility rig which is often fished without a sinker on night party boats. Other excellent hooks, especially for bass or weaks, are short shanked Claw, Beak, or Bonito hooks in 2/0 to 4/0 sizes, snelled on plastic leaders, as mentioned.

The strip is impaled near one end, through the skin side, and is then pushed up the shank. The point is inserted once again through the center of the strip, so that the other half will dangle in the current. Bottom and floating type strip bait rigs are completed in the same manner as rigs for chunk baits.

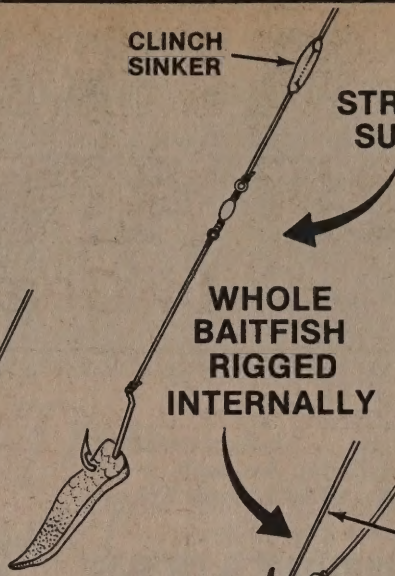
By no means are oily baitfish the only ones to consider for "the big three." In fact, many surfcasters looking for cow bass or chopper blues favor live eels. The rig intended for strip baits works equally well with eels, the hook being impaled through the bottom jaw and out the eye, or through both eyes. Some people add a second hook on a short leader, which is tied in tandem to the first. This hook goes in the tail section and prevents the eel from twisting around the fishing line. Moreover, since blues generally strike from the rear

**CHUNK BAIT RIG:
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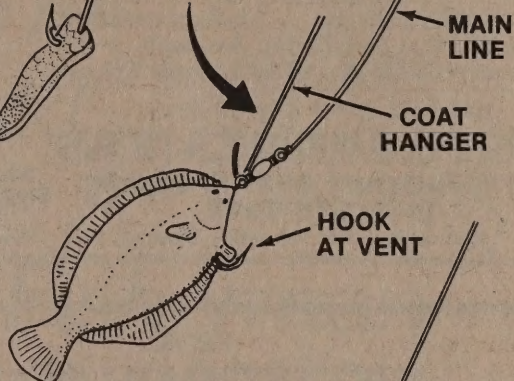


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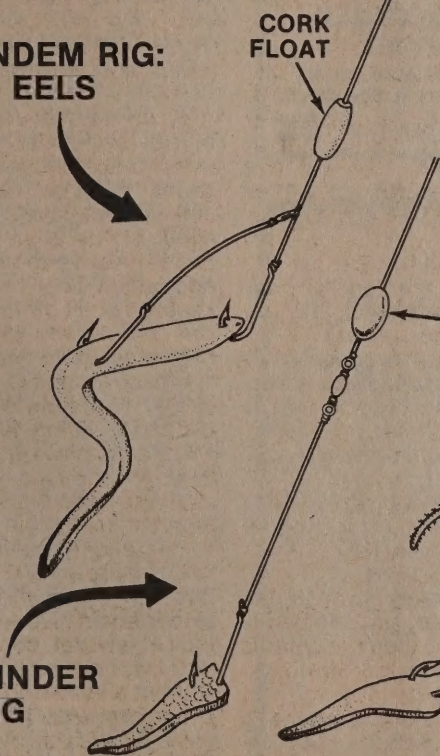
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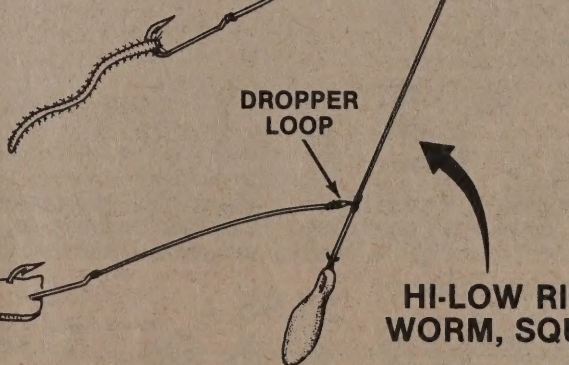
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and bass from the front, both ends are covered. Eels may be fished dead, too, whole or in cut-up sections, on top or on the bottom.

Blues and especially bass, are also fond of fish fry—young flounder, blackfish, porgies, or bergalls. Every spring I save a few postage stamp flounder for bait. Most fishermen rig flounder with the strip bait rig through the mouth, out the gill cover and somewhere in the back. I rig mine **inside** the bait with a short wire leader on a 2/0 Beak or Bonito hook. A coat hanger wire is pushed through the flounder's mouth and out the vent. Then a loop is formed in the wire at the vent side, and the barrel swivel end of the leader is attached to this loop. The coat hanger is pulled back out of the mouth, and only the hook point is exposed at the vent. Any predator intimidated by wire is deceived. Finishing this rig, two holes

are pierced through the flounder's lips, and a short piece of monofilament through them and the barrel swivel is tied with a double overhand knot. This way, the flounder remains as it should—flat. Several baits are prepared in advance, the wire custom fitted to the flounder's length, and no sinker is employed. This rigging device works with any fish fry of comparable size.

No experienced surf man forgets the common seaworm as a bait for game fish, especially bass and weaks. A whole sandworm impaled on a 2/0 Beak, Claw or Bonito hook and fished with a sinker six inches to 2½ feet below, can be the deadliest bait of all, especially in the spring. Likewise, a thin strip cut from a squid, fluke, flounder, or even a sea robin.

Some fishermen use hi-lo rigs for worms and/or squid, since these baits are light. The bottom hook, on a 12 to

20 inch leader, is tied to a dropper loop on the main line about three to six inches above the sinker, and the second hook is connected to another dropper slightly more than a snell's length above the first. For greater strength, a 30 to 40 pound test leader may be employed with a three-way swivel for the rig. In this case, the top hook is inserted through the third eye of the swivel, after connecting the swivel to the leader and main line with a couple of improved clinch knots. The sinker and bottom hook are then connected directly to the leader, as described. The stiff leader prevents the hooks from tangling, and moreover, provides greater strength against an outsized predator.

Most surf men use bank sinkers for their bottom rigs, but those who fish the Atlantic find that a pyramid sinker digs into the soft sandy floor and

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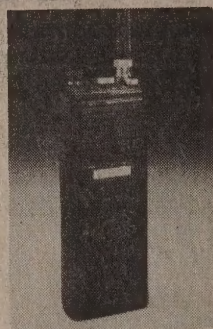
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holds better. Aside from the clinch, rubber core, or split-shot sinker used on light "floating rigs," an egg sinker is favored in some situations. This sinker has a hole through the center and is threaded on the fishing line before adding the snelled or wired hook. The barrel swivel on the leader prevents the sinker from sliding down to the hook and interfering with a hook-up. Similar to a fishfinder rig, this rig is guaranteed not to cause tangles on the main line, a common occurrence with other bottom rigs and hi-lo rigs. Moreover, the predator does not feel the sinker's resistance when he takes the bait. Highly regarded in southern Florida, this rig is very effective when fishing on flats. But the egg sinker tends to roll in rough currents, and if you want the bait to remain stationary over a choice spot, you will do better with a standard bottom rig.

As mentioned, live baits are better than dead baits, and both are better than thawed-out frozen baits. Acquiring live bait is not an insurmountable chore, when it is a simple matter to use a second rod for this purpose. Use this rod for bottom fishing while using the other for game fishing. Should you hook a small blackfish, porgy, flounder, or whatever, transfer it instantly to your "predator" rod. Last year, live-lined snappers took blues of all sizes and some tiderunner weaks, too. Live bait should be hooked in the shoulder, or through the eyes or lips (with the strip bait rig) and worked on top, with or without a clinch sinker.

To be sure, there are many other baits worth considering for game fish. A slice of clam is excellent at times for bass. Occasionally, I invest in some butterfish fry at the local market and rig them internally like the flounder. A luminous, silvery bait, the butterfish is often used on party boats going for blues, bonito and albacore. If you can acquire some hermit crabs, try the abdominal section—a long, tubular affair that looks like the crab's tail. It is soft and spongy, and rigged like a worm. How about shrimp? Not live grass shrimp which are very hard to find in Long Island, or the expensive fresh kind sold in fish markets, but pre-cooked, frozen shrimp. After thawing them out, impale a few on a hook and see what happens. I once saw an angler catching sea bass with this bait; he then caught the pool winner, a blue, with it. Anchovies, spearing, sand eels, killies, mullet. When it comes to baitfish for game fish, you never can tell.

The best outfit for baitfishing is a 9 to 11 foot surf rod, conventional or spinning, and a large matching reel filled with 20 pound test for blues o weaks, and up to 50 pound test for cow bass. Where to catch predators with bait would require another article, but you might concentrate on those places where you usually fish with artificials. Give the lures a thorough workout, and if they fail, break out the bait.

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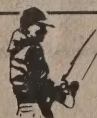


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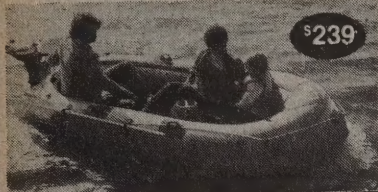
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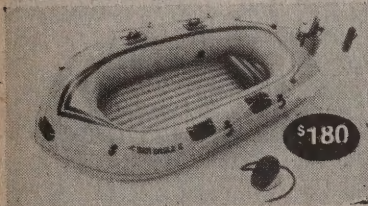


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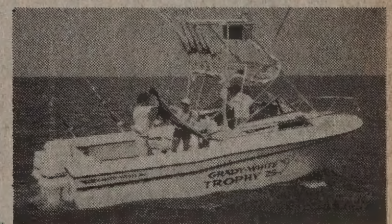
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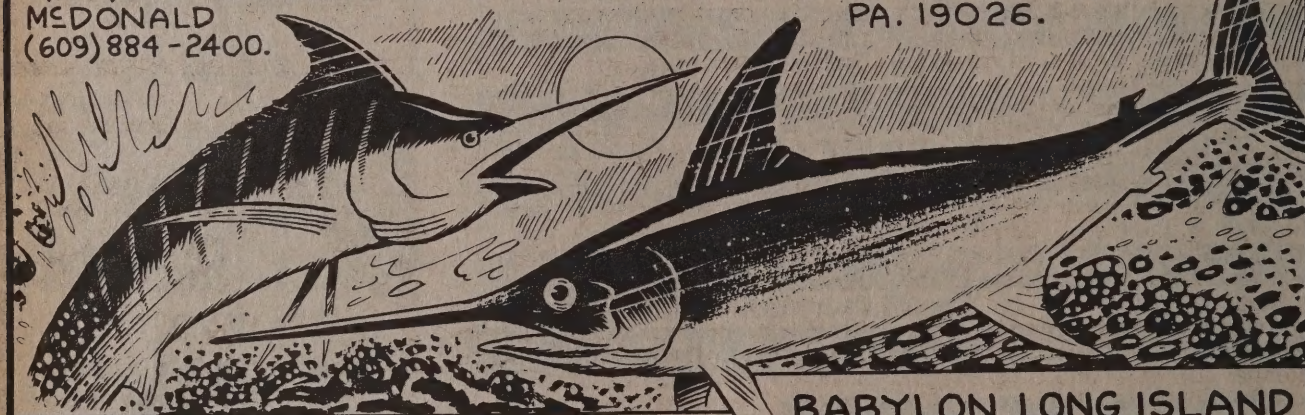
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Blues continue strong, porgies are a steady item now, fluking can be excellent most days and the offshore cod, sharking and the beginnings of the tuna season are good to very good. White marlin are also being taken.

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Capt. Gene Kelly of the charter boat **Kellyboat** found a pair of 40 pound yellowfin for a charter on Friday. The action was found along the 40 fathom line south of the point. The offshore fishing improved considerably on Sunday with some decent scores made by a number of boats on yellowfins, true albacore and small bluefins. Fishing an inshore charter on Saturday, the skipper put his party into 30 weeks in the 8-9 pound range and 25 blues. Fishing was done in close around the point with downriggers and umbrella rigs.

Capt. Phil Lewis of the charter boat **Adios** reported a catch of 40 big blues for Ken Paraltori and friends. On another weekday charter, Dr. Jerry Knapp put away a 175 pound big eye along with some true albacore. Shark action at the point has been touch and go according to the skipper.

From **Gone Fishing Marina**, Maureen Senefelder relayed word of a potential new 80 pound class striped bass record set at the point 3AM Tuesday morning by bass sharpie John Alberda. John's big cow tipped the scale at 69½ pounds and would



Rudy Saleiccia (left) with a just landed 35 lb. true albacore taken on a spinning tackle. Scene of the action was aboard the Montauk charter boat, "Mako Express."

displace Dennis Kelly's current 66½ pounder in the record book. Look for story and photo of this latest striped record in next week's issue of *The Fisherman*. Bassfishing continued on a positive note for much of the week with Capt. Tom Sennefelder joining with John Alberda on Wednesday night. The pair accounted for 7 fish up to 50 pounds. John clicked again on Saturday night with a cow of 54½ pounds. His fishing partner, Capt. Bob Rocchetta, current holder of the 50 pound class record with a 76 pound striped, put Roger Matheny on 3 bass Saturday night. They weighed 28, 40 and 48 pounds. Bob fished an offshore charter on Sunday and returned with a 184 pound hammerhead, yellowtail tuna and a true albacore and a 35 pound mako which was kept for mounting. Back to stripers again, Tim Capt. Bob Stork of the **Caprice** put his son Eric on his first striped Wednesday morning. It weighed 38 pounds. Inshore fishing has been good at the point with Capt. Bob finding 41 weeks and 30 blues for John Zielinski's party on the weekend. They were taken at the point on jigs. Capt. Bill Ricca of the **Alyssa Ann** put Dan Santangelo and friends into 16 weeks to 10 pounds, 3 bonito and 37 blues up to 9 pounds on Saturday. Trailer boatman Don Frazier and crew took 29 weeks up to 9 pounds on Sunday casting bucktails under the lighthouse. Fluke fishing remains very good most days with fish spread between North Rips, Shagwong, Southside and Midway with a good number of 6-7 pounders in the latter spot. Maureen reminded that Saturday, August 13th is the date for the Marina's big fluke contest. Entry fee is \$25.

From Capt. Jack Passie of the charter boat **Windy** we learn of Monday's trip which loaded the box with 80 big blues from Cartwright, taken on wire and umbrellas, fish 5 to 18 lbs. Wednesday's trip saw a 95 lb. mako boated and an estimated 200 lb. blue shark T&R. Four white marlin were sighted on the way back, but couldn't be baited. Thursday's trip for



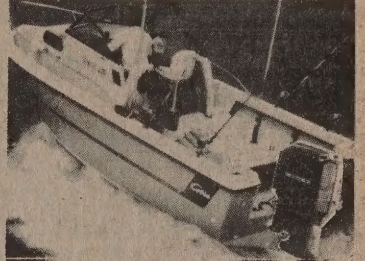
Joshua Segal and friends hooked 60 fluke and a bunch of blues aboard the charter boat "Montauk."

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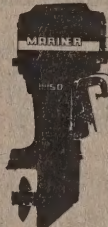
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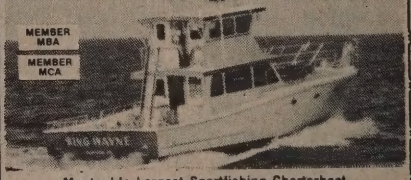
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Aboard the charter boat **Julie III** on Sunday Gus Delgado scored with 225 big porgies, 1 to 3¼ lbs. plus 17 flounder to 3½ lbs., 65 blues and 9 weaks. This catch was at Great Eastern and North Rips.

Saturday aboard the **Viking Fleet**, Roy Gerhard of Glenwood, NY on the PM trip bagged a 9¼ lb. fluke. Out at Coxes Ledge a 42 lb. pool cod plus 16 other cod was the score for Don DeStefano, Sweetwater, NJ. Frank Albanes managed 16 cod to 35 lbs. and these went back home with him to E. Patchogue. The Coxes cod have been very good but was slower on the weekend due to the high southwest winds. Best catches were achieved drifting with diamond jigs and with bait rather than anchoring. Porgy catches have been good with days of light boat traffic with some porgy pounders getting one to two buckets at the Point. The night bluefishing has been tremendous south of Block.

Captain Bud Dorman of the 6 man limit open boat **Waxed** continues to fill his customers 5-gal. buckets with good sized porgies. For the better part of this week, Bud said that when he finds time to fish all day, his catches have between 2 to 3 full buckets for that particular day. Fishing is at the point where the size of the porgy is generally much bigger than elsewhere. Fish 2 lbs. and better are numerous.

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Steve Wallace (right) of Nu-Life Restorations and Greg Beacher of the Dawn, stand alongside Steve's 741 lb. giant tuna. The big horse mackerel was taken S.E. of Block and boated in just a half hour. Subscriber photo.

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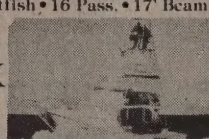
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Flying Cloud were happy to report a definite improvement in the porgy fishing over last week. Even the weekend saw good catches made on both boats. Some fares topped off a five gallon bucket. Action has been from the Light to Gardiner's, and fish have been medium to large and Dusty said there are an excellent number of sea bass mixed in, more than he's ever seen before at this time of year.

From the charter boat **Montauk** we learn from Capt. Mike that sharking took an upturn earlier in the week. There were plenty of blue shark of 200 plus pounds. Browns, dusksies and an occasional mako were also in evidence. Things slowed on the weekend with the weather. Longfin action gets better and better everyday offshore. Three longfin went into the box of Capt. Fritz Hubner of the **Mistress II**. Aboard the **Merlin**, two footballs and a yellowfin tuna and 2 longfin albies were taken. This was all on green machines. The **Merlin** also had a 107 lb. marlin. This offshore action was at 40 fathoms.

A call from subscriber Steve Weitzen passed word along of a 678 lb. giant tuna taken by Paul Catavan of Island Park Sunday on Capt. Greg Beecher's Dawn.

We hear from the charter boat **Nostalgia II** of this week's trip for Dr. Scott Davis, Hewlett, who on a half day trip hoisted 25 keeper fluke to 4 lbs. working east of Midway using fluke belly and mackerel strips. On another trip this week, pals Charlie Fettinger, Gene Chieppa and Al Eichler and Jack Evans, had a mixed bag of 65 fluke to 5 lbs., 14 weaks to 9 lbs., a few sea bass and 12 bluefish. The skipper said the inshore fishing is super great now.

Aboard the charter boat **My Mate** on Sunday Joe LoCicero and party T&Rs brown and blue shark and had a couple of longfin albacore runoffs while trolling. On another trip, the Al Banke party had excellent bluefish trolling at Cartwright.

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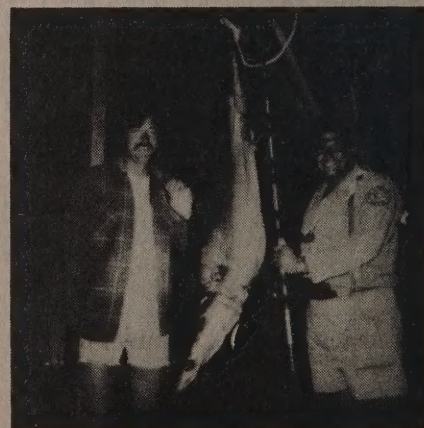
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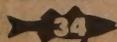
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Aboard Capt. John DeMaio's charter boat **Vivienne** the word is that weaks are still being caught, though not on a firm daily basis. On the days the weaks don't oblige, the skipper moves over to fluke and blues and advises the fluking has been excellent in the rips.

SOUTH FORK

Chris Salb at **Bayview Fishing Station in Sag Harbor** said that there are still quite a few fluke at the Ruins but they have been on the small side with 1 out of 3 being returned to the water. Chris asked that we remind anglers of the 14" minimum size limit on summer flounder with some anglers seem to be disregarding or unaware of. Three pound bluefish remain abundant around Gardiners both at the Ruins and Crow Shoals. Good porgy fishing at Cedar and Mashomack Points for fish in the 1-1½ pound class using clams or worms and bunker chum. Tim Enchelmaier weighed in a 51½ pound striper that he took on a live eel at Plum Gut this past week. All of the local docks are well supplied with snappers and tinker mackerel.

Thom at **Speck's Tackle Shop** in **Southampton** said that the best bet for fluke is east channel near Shinnecock Inlet. Flounder are still in Tiana Bay and 1-4 pound blues are both in the inlet and in Shinnecock and Peconic Bays. Small to medium porgies in good numbers in Peconic Bay and small weaks in Noyac Bay on squid strips or sandworms. Small snappers throughout both days in good numbers.

Decent fluking in East Channel and also at the south end of the canal for smaller fish according to Charlie Sensenbach of **Corr's Mariner's Cove** in **Hampton Bays**. Small blues are in the inlet area for pluggers and trollers and those looking for porgies do best at Cow's Neck with fish in the 1-1½ pound range. Of the fluking, Fred Mulcahey and Max Donowitz took 15 fluke at the inlet and in front of the Station on Sunday. Same day, John Whipple, John, Jr. and his son Joe, along with Uncle Paul, finished up with 24 nice fluke to 3½ pounds. Also on Sunday, Bernie Flynn and Peter Martin christened Bernie's new 21' regal with a 44 pound yellowfin tuna and a 66 pound white marlin. They ran to 190' of water south of the inlet. The station fluke derby was won by Al Donofrio with a 4¾ pound flattie.

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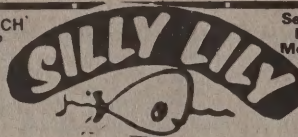
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South Shore REPORT

with Fred Golofaro

While fluke continue to get most of the attention in both Great South and Moriches Bays, many boatmen have turned their attention to the offshore scene where some good action was enjoyed by boatmen inshore as close as 120' of water. Good numbers of white marlin created plenty of excitement and showing of yellowfin and bluefin tuna well inshore of the canyons added to the action.

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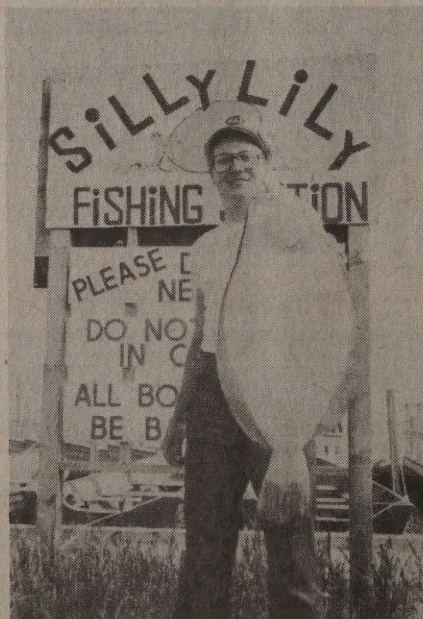
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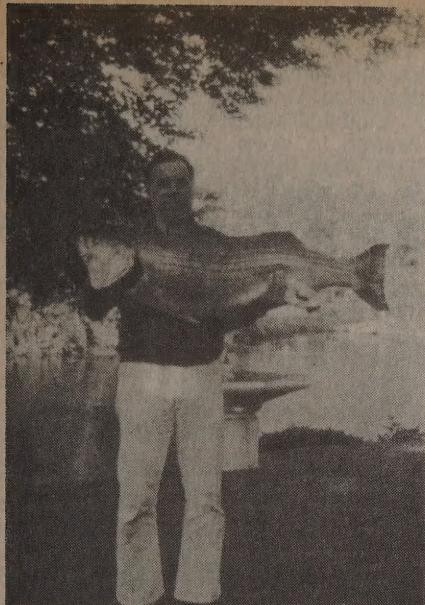


Tommy Borst holds a 7.10 lb. fluke up to the camera. The big flattie was taken on a sand eel/squid combo east of buoy 41. Photo courtesy of Silly Lilly Fishing Station in E. Moriches.

MORICHES BAY & INLET

Pretty good fluking on the flats north of buoy 39 and on the edge of the hole east of buoy 42 according to Gary Grunseich of Silly Lilly Fishing Station in East Moriches. Best action is reserved for 3 hours before and after high water slack with sand eel and squid combos accounting for the best scores. On the weekend, Saturday provided good fluke action for most boats but Sunday's wind against tide condition made fishing tough for all but those who trolled. One of the better scores made during the week was made on Thursday by Ed, Rick and Scott Horvath and Dave Hart. They had 32 fluke up to 3 pounds working east of buoy 42. Good flounder fishing south of buoys 30 and 34 with one boat returning with 75 flatties on Sunday. Lots of snappers and crabs out front in the cove.

Over at L & M Marine, Jim Green



LIF subscriber Kurt Roeloffs live-lined this 55 lb. striper in Moriches Inlet. The big cow was taken on Kurt's own boat, Contact. Subscriber photo.

said that John Nepson and his partner Jerry returned with 9 keepers to 3½ pounds on Sunday. They used a bobber and killie rig and did their fishing south of the Coast Guard Station. Flounder still at buoys 29 and 30 but on the small side. One boat had 30 keepers on Sunday. Jim added that there are plenty of blue claw crabs on the flats around the station.

The charter boat **Tender Loving Care** returned on windy Saturday with a catch of 30 blues to 6 pounds made at the inlet. Tom and Artie Green and friends made up the party.

Capt. Chip of the **Moriches** open boat **Capt. Leo D** said that flounder fishing was slow most of the week but bounced back on Saturday and Sunday. Good fishing was found between buoys 27 and 30 with 1-1½ pound fish common. On Saturday's trip, Ken "Triple Header" Daniels had 38 flounder including a pool winner of 2.9 pounds.

GREAT SOUTH BAY/ FIRE ISLAND INLET

Paul Graniello of **J & J Tackle** in **Patchogue** said that snappers and crabs have been keeping most local anglers entertained with all of the docks in the area well supplied with these summer favorites. The Blue Point and Patchogue Docks as well as those along Corey Creek have been producing plenty of action along with an occasional snapper blue mixed in. Snapper blues in the 1-2 pound range are being taken at buoy 31 off of Blue Point on spearing or small spoons. The highlight of the week concerned Patchogue Fishing Club member Jim Curto's 6.11 pound sea run brown

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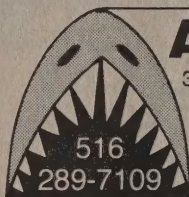
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trout which was taken on a fly from a local tidal creek. The big brown currently leads the trout category of the Shop contest.

Vinny from South Bay Fishing Station in West Sayville called this past week the best so far this season with lots of small blues and a good showing of fluke providing plenty of action particularly in the buoy 17 area. Ron Trotta and his son Ron, Jr. had a mess of blues in this area on Thursday while Shep Gonzalez returned to the station the same day with 17 nice fluke.

From J & R Sports Center in Oakdale, John "Rod" DiGiacomo said that lots of small blues continue to roam the bay and inlet. He also knew of a few decent fluke scores made over the weekend in the state channel, near the Coast Guard Station and at the Inlet. Crabs and snappers have been good at the West Sayville Dock and also in Great River. The offshore scene came to life this week with a lot of marlin and decent numbers of tuna showing up south-east of the inlet in 140-180' of water. Mark Reushle, who has been recovering from recent surgery and is getting around on a beach equipped wheel chair sampled the trout fishing in Connetquot State Park on Friday. While a far cry from the surf and stripers, the East Islip angler proved himself more than capable with a fly rod when he took a 3 pound rainbow trout on a grey ghost streamer.

Over at Peppy's Tackle Shop, in East Islip, Mike Cioffi told of a 50 pound white marlin for Harry Winters on Sunday. It was taken 155 degrees from the inlet in 145' of water. Mike reported lots of tuna, marlin and shark activity in the same area in depths ranging from 140-150'. Small blues and fluke continue to get most of the play at the inlet although there were some reports of some school bass in the 8-12 pound range taken in the inlet. On the freshwater side, young John Altonen and Bill Douglas took 5 nice sunnies out of Brookwood Hall.

Carl Miller of Smokey's Tackle Shop in Bay Shore noted an improvement in the fluke picture and thought that some of the best fishing was at the inlet as well as off Atlantique on sand eel/squid combos. Small blues still roaming the inlet and bay with some bigger blues in the 2-5 pound class being trolled at the bell buoy. Big blues in the 8-13 pound range still camped in 100' of water south of Patchogue where they are being jigged and chummed. Bonito have shown in the 80' depths on red-white and black-white feathers. Carl received numerous reports of marlin activity between 100-160' of water particularly just SE of the NA buoy. The west wall of the canyon produced good action late last week with big eyes and longfin albacore. One boat dropped a big blue marlin during the week in the vicinity of the Texas Tower. Peter Martin trailered his boat

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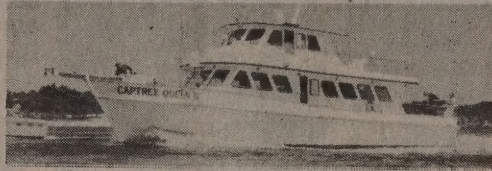
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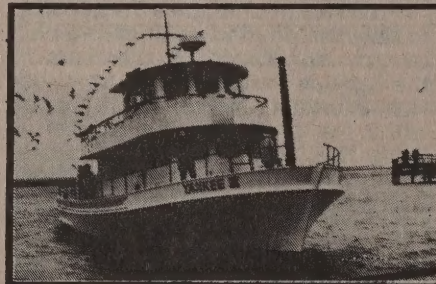
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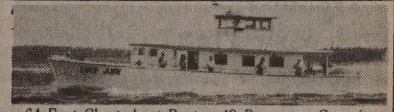
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Capt. Richie Westerlind of the open boat **Capt. Richie** said that fluking has been generally fair with some of the best action being found in the inlet area. Most of the fish being taken are good sized fish in the 2-3 pound range. On Sunday, 12 year old Scott Kuduk on his first fluke trip managed 9 keepers on squid and sandeels.

Capt. Carl Passaro of the **Captree** open boat **Jib VI** hosted 6 members of the N.Y. Mets on Friday morning's fluke trip. Dave Kingman, Tom Gorman, Doug Sisk, Carlos Diaz, Jesse Orosco & Scott Holman accounted for 15 nice fluke led by clean-up man Dave Kingman's catch of 5. On the same trip, Bill Reiter led the way with a pool fish of 6.2 pounds. While the fishing has been generally slow to fair the skipper noted an improvement in the weekend action particularly on Sunday's PM trip when a nice body of fish was found near Sexton Island. The **Jib VII** accounted for over 80 fish on one drift alone.

Capt. John Bilitsky of the **Captree**

charter boat **Sea Ranger** and the man who takes his sea bass fishing seriously, put Lady Reeler's president Linda Panciarelli on to a potential 12 pound class record sea bass. The 5.5 pounder was taken on Sunday along with nearly 400 other sea bass for a party of 9 anglers. On Friday's trip, 12 fares accounted for 300 sea bass including a 5.10 pounder. John has been working a couple of his favorite offshore wrecks.

Fred Austin of **Augie's Tackle Shop** in **Babylon** reported a pair of new club records established by members of the **Babylon Tuna Club** this weekend. Ron Bruckner decked a 114 pound white marlin aboard the **Skipper II** while Bob Jessen put a 223 pound yellowfin tuna aboard his boat **Bluewater**. On the inshore scene, a nice improvement in the fluking the last couple of days for fish in the 2-3 pound range. During the week, Bill Meenan took 15 fluke to 3¼ pounds at the inlet along with a 8.10 pound blackfish. On Saturday, Jim Erickson worked West Channel to the tune of 15 fluke. Small blues are around the inlet and bigger fish remain in 70-100' of water south to southeast of the inlet. The town dock has been providing plenty of action with snappers and blue claw crabs.

Capt. Jack Stoddard of the **Babylon**

open boat **Luci III** has been working the inlet area and the State Channel for fluke with fair results. Eric Robertson had a 4 pound pool winner during the week while Peter Noto managed 6 blues and 1 weakfish while fluking on Thursday. 007 jigs have been responsible for some blues and weaks on each trip. The charter boat **Luci II** reported trolling some nice blues from the Whistle buoy on out to 90 feet of water. On Saturday, the Malcolm Shaw accounted for 75 choppers on umbrella rigs. Jack reported plenty of white marlin activity in 90-130' of water and reminded that he has Balao baits available in his **Capt. Jack's Tackle Shop**, Amity Harbor.

Capt. Glen Olsen of the **Babylon** charter boat **Chums** cashed in on the marlin action with a 74 pounder for Gary Burton of Hampton Bays.

Another **Babylon** boat, **EZ Ed** skippered by Capt. Ed Walsh found 12 nice fluke in the 2½ to 3½ pound range for Tom Kessinger and two friends on Sunday. Ed worked the Sore Thumb area on incoming water.

Mike Andreani of **Lindenhurst Bait and Tackle** looked over his biggest doormat of the year. The 12 pound fluke was an import from the Smithtown Bay area while the name of the W. Islip angler who caught the fish was unavailable at press time. On Saturday, Joe and Ginger Manfredo took over 15 nice fluke out of the State Channel on live killies. Same day, Mark Sheshedian and Mike Ciriello ran SE of Fire Island to 140' of water where they boated 2 100 pound class makos and 3 small duskie. Crabbing remains very good and snappers, already plentiful, have improved in size.

Ralph Angelillo of **Z Crab Tackle** in **Copiague** said that a pair of regular customers worked the NA buoy on Saturday. They returned with 21 blues and all were monsters in the 18 pound range. A few bass in the 8 pound range were trolled between the bridge and the inlet on umbrella rigs in the early AM hours and on Sunday



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morning, there were quite a few weaks in the 10 pound class taken out of the Sore Thumb pocket on 007's fitted with bucktails. On Sunday afternoon, Ralph and his wife Ann worked in the vicinity of the construction dock with Hopkin's and put away 21 blues and 3 weaks. Some small blues and a fair number of fluke around the Amity Cut with some nice scores being made on nice snappers here and in the inlet area. Crabbing is very good and plenty of snappers are being taken at Tanner Park.

West End REPORT

with Stu Miller

The big news in this area has been the tremendous showing of huge numbers of white marlin in the HA area. Unfortunately, these whites have been extremely difficult if not impossible at times to bait, much less to boat. Otherwise, the bluefish for the most part continue strong both day and night. Fluking has been erratic, but what has been lacking in numbers is made up in mostly larger fish with few throwbacks now. Snappers are starting and bcc's are coming on strong.

WEST END BAYS/ JONE'S INLET

From Seaford, charter boat 3 Sea-Sons told of continued hot shark fishing. On every marlin trip, at least one marlin has been raised each trip so far. Last Tuesday, 9 marlin were raised, 3 hooked and a 73 lber. was landed and kept for mounting, a first marlin for Jake Golden of Lawson

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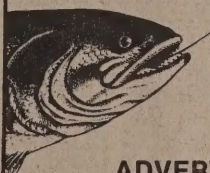
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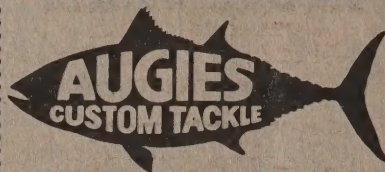
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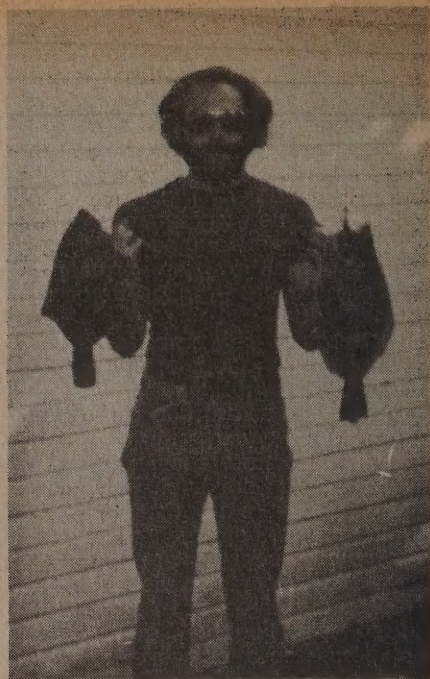
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Lou Marino shows a 2 lb. flounder and a 2 1/2 lb. fluke taken during a July flounder trip aboard the Freeport open boat "Capt. Andy II."

Pub, Oceanside. Last Wednesday, Stu Gammit's group from Ct. hooked and landed a 69 lb. white marlin which will also end up at Fish Unlimited Taxidermy. Captains Sig and Frank say the marlin fishing has never been better in this area and as of July 31st, they brought back 15 marlin to the dock for mounting, and 21 others were released. Most recent catches were as follows: Andy Russo, 2, 59 and 60 lbs. Chris Martin and party, 61 and 90 lbs. Robt. Fillmore, 58 and 88 lbs. John Sennett, 83 lbs. Frank Bradley, 59, 71 and 89 lbs. John Blake, 55 and 76 lbs.; Brenden Shoel, 64 lbs. Mama—that's a lot of marlin.

Pop' Fishing Station in Seaford told of a bushel of blue claw crabs taken on each trip out during the week by Mello Porcello. Mr. McGovern on Sunday had 3 bushels of blue claw crabs. You will have to call John at the station to find out where these crabs were caught. Fluke catches remain good, averaging 6 keepers per boat. Fluking was tough during the week with the wind and tide combining for super fast drifts. Best catches were made east of the Wantagh bridges, Four Corners/3rd Wantagh, Massapequa Cove and Squaw. Snappers have been very good.

From Dwayne at Custom Tackle we hear of 12-yr. old Rob Owens of Vermont and his first weakfish ever, a 9.6 lb. specimen taken at the 2nd Wantagh on live bunker Saturday morning. Also caught was 20 lb. striper. This was all on an ebb tide on little Al's boat. The shop weighed in a 70 lb. white marlin for Artie of Price Melco in Seaford. The fish was caught two miles south of the HA Sunday on

a Jet lure.

From **Wanser's Tackle** we hear of good fluke catches from Sloop Channel, Haunts Creek, West Island, Wanser's Cut and Massapequa Cove, all on killies, spearing and sand eels. Some weaks being taken at the bridges on sand worms fished on the bottom into the pilings and also in the State Channel at Tobay. Stripers are being clam chummed at the 3rd Wantagh and Meadowbrook. Snappers are in all the canals. Also hot is off the Alhambra Beach bulkhead and the town dock in Seaford. BCC's are very big in size and very good in numbers.

Over in **Belmore** we hear further from **Merrick Tackle** of mucho marlin at the HA area with some being caught on green machines, Jetheads and squid. Plenty of blackfish at the 3rd Meadowbrook Sunday on clams. Bass are being plugged in the back creeks with silver or silver and black Creek Chub poppers and Rebels working fine.

Over at **Nick's Fishing Station in Merrick**, we hear from Jimmy of the good fluking in the flats of Haunts Creek, Broad Creek and off the golf course. These are all a little over keeper sized fish hitting killies or spearing. Some weaks at the bridge along with some big blues on live bunker. Good snapper action in the back creeks. A 45 lb. white marlin hooked and landed by George Santry on his boat Sold on Sea. Lots of small blues at the R2 and the end of the jetty on tin and poppers.

Swinging over to the boats out of **Freeport** we hear that aboard the charter boat **Capt. Ben** a 100 lb. blue marlin was hooked and landed while sharking in the area of the Virginia Wreck.

The bluefish boat **Capt. Al** reports it was a slaughter Monday through Friday, both day and night trips on bluefish with Saturday and Sunday tougher due to conditions and boat traffic. Friday night's trip was dynamite said the skipper. On the night trips he advised, the fish usually take hold around 1AM when the evening winds subside. Thursday's day trip was a slaughter also and the skipper says there are plenty of blues around with some weakfish mixed in. It's still jigs days, bait nights.

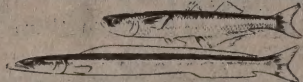
Aboard **Capt. Richie's Starstream II** the bluefishing has also been pretty much consistently strong. Catches were fair Saturday and tough Sunday, however, due to sea conditions and all the boat traffic. The boat is working from the Sisters to the Mud Hole and the fish are running 3-12 lbs. Night trips have also been very strong. Thursday night was the exception, due to strong winds. An estimated 500 lb. blue marlin was seen swimming under the boat at the Mud Hole mid-week. Turtles, sunfish and sharks were also seen all around the boat.

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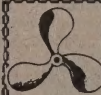
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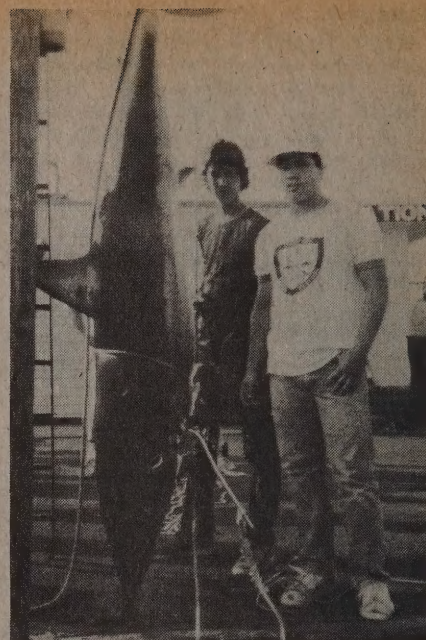
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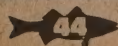
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mond jigs, fish in the 6-7 lb. range at the Sisters. Wednesday's trip for A. Best Contracting Co., Woodside, had a good pick on blues fishing SW of Jones on diamonds 20 miles out. Friday's trip for Gene Janniotti, Flushing, had decent fluking on incoming water using spearing in Reynolds and further back. On Saturday the group from Pershing Co., NYC found blues late in the day at the Three Sisters, while on Sunday, SAS Airlines picked away at blues on jigs S/SW of the inlet.

The **Miss Freeport II** continues to find good bluefishing less than an hour from the inlet with fish to 12 lbs. on their 7PM daily trips. The boat's daytime fluking has been spotty, some days ranging from fair to excellent. Pools are going in the 3-3½ lb. class.

From the **Capt. Lou Fleet** we learn that both boats had some decent fluke catches this week with pools in the 4-5 lb. range, best being done on incoming water. Better tides are coming this week. Best areas have been Reynolds Channel and Haunts Creek.

From the **Freeport Boatmen's Association** comes word of good night bluefishing between Three Sisters and the Mud Hole, with catches being made on diamond jigs daytime at the Farms. Fishing was tougher over the weekend, though a steady pick could be had. Fluking was classified as okay all this week at the inlet on any running tide. There have been fair numbers of large fluke. Fluke have also been taken this week in Reynolds Sloop, Swift Creek and West Bar. Offshore, lots of marlin have been sighted but they've been hard to



hook, all at the HA area. Lots of sand eels in the water for them to chomp.

From Ronnie at **Hudson Point Fishing Station** we hear further of the abundance of marlin at the HA and Ronnie says that a lot of them are being taken on rigged eels, according to his customers. Fluking on the flats has been excellent using killies and spearing in Haunts Creek, Fundy Bay and Merrick Bay but be sure to fish the shoals. Good flounder continue at the CG station and the Meadowbrook bridge. Weak and blues being trolled on wire and umbrellas in 80 to 90 feet of water south of the Jones Beach water tower. A few makos weighed in that were taken south of Jones Inlet in 100 to 120 feet of water. Don't forget this weekend's Squadron Anglers Invitational Billfish and Tuna Tournament. Call Ronnie at Hudson Point if interested. See ad for phone number.

In nearby **Point Lookout**, Capt. Ron of the **Miss Point Lookout** advised that Monday was the best fluke day of the week. Ace and Andy Nelson had 20 keepers between them with Andy taking the pool. The rest of the week was hot and cold. On Thursday's PM trip, regular Wayne Liberg had a 4 lb. pool fish. Saturday's AM trip saw Fred Gerstheimer, with a 2 1/2 lb. pool fish. Saturday's PM trip was tough but still Lois Campbell scored with a 3 1/2 lb. pool fish. The night blue-fishing ran from tough nights to slaughter nights. Saturday night was tough but on Thursday night over 1,000 blues were swung or gaffed over the rail. Pool fish was a 12 lb. chopper for Tim Hart.

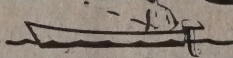
Aboard the **Capt. Bill**, Friday saw Whitestone angler Jim McNichols put away a 4 1/2 lb. fluke. Monday through Friday catches were fair but the weekend slowed due to conditions, including a shot of very cold water that came through the inlet Sunday. Another 4 lb. fluke was taken Thursday by a customer whose name is unknown.

From the charter boat **Marie III** we hear of Monday's trip working NW of the HA which resulted in a 75 lb. mako being caught. Tuesday night's bluefishing at the Sisters was excellent with most fish 5-7 lbs. and few 10-12 lbers, fares averaging 15-25 fish a man. Saturday's fluking in Reynolds, Garretts Lead and off the golf course was fair. Pool fish hits 4 lbs. and catches were on spearing, squid and sand eels. On Sunday lots of white marlin were seen at the HA but none could be hooked. Sunday night's bluefish trip to the channels and 3 Sisters saw a slow pick by the group aboard.

We learn from Marilyn at **Ed's Fishing Station** that fluking this past week has been fair, but the sharp flukers and those who really worked hard can scratch out a good catch. The flats were best. Also good was Reynolds channels buoys 16 to 20 and Swift. Good flounder catches also in Swift Creek off the houses. Good blackfishing at the Meadowbrook and snappers are a good item now. Try a

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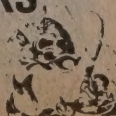
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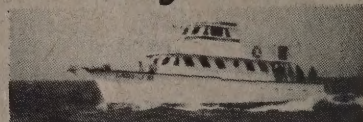
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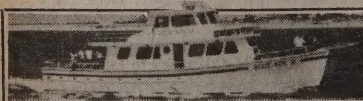
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small snapper for a big blackfish. Seven year old Billy Schmidt hoisted a 2½ lb. flounder Friday in Swift Creek off the houses. Tom Tortorici and Jim Pascalicchio, together hoisted a 5 lb. fluke Friday at buoy 13. Bruce Sarna and Ron Keiser on their boat Cardinal Puff had a 4½ lb. fluke and 11 other keepers in Reynolds Channel.

To the west, Long Beach Sports Marina advise that fluke continue good in Reynolds channel. Best area has been directly in front of the marina between buoys 5 and 7 for many 2-4 lbers. On Saturday John and Mike Brown bagged 12 keeper fluke 2-5 lbs. on live killies, both tides. Duck Point and buoy 9 also produced fluke. Bob Clement and Ralph Samuels Friday managed 32 fluke to 3 lbs. They chummed while anchored and fished live killies. Bluefish off Rockaway and the Tin Can for trollers, larger fish at Cholera both day and night. A few weaks and bass being trolled and jigged at the Can with better scores of weaks at night on Nordic eels. Snappers and bccs all over the back creeks.

We hear from Beckmann's Tackle in Lynbrook about lots of big weaks at Point Lookout, off the jetty on the Point Lookout side, fish 10-12 lbs. taken mostly on jelly worms, all flavors. Nights are best, when everything quiets down. Still some good fluke at the western end of Reynolds at the Cement Block and Hog Channel off Reynolds. Plenty of small snappers, and blue claw crabs at Bay Park and environs.

In talking with Al at Reynolds Reef Fishing Station in Atlantic Beach, we hear blackfish are still being caught at both end of the ABB as well as Silver Pt Jetty on fiddlers. Fluking has been "okay" at the railroad trestle at



Phyliss O'Donnel landed this 7¼ lb. doormat in Swift Creek. It was weighed at Ed's Fishing Station in Point Lookout.

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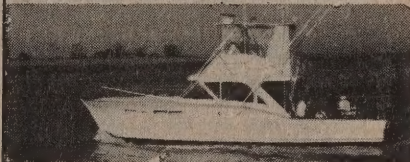
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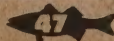
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Frank Silvestro of the Atlantic Beach Rod & Gun Club with the 47 lb. white marlin he boated on the Andrea C while fishing near the Texas Tower. Photo courtesy of Reynold's Reef Fishing Station.

High Tide Tables

How to use tide tables: To compute the high tide for the area you wish to fish, simply find the closest area on the conversion table. Add or subtract the hours and minutes as indicated from that area station above. Example: Shinnecock Inlet. ... -0 50 is listed under "On SANDY HOOK." -0 50 means you subtract 50 minutes from the times given for the SANDY HOOK STATION for the day you are going fishing. This is the approximate time for the high tide in the area. For low tide, add 6½ hours to this figure.

DAY	SANDY HOOK		BREAKWATER HARBOR		NEW YORK		NEW LONDON		WILLETS POINT		BRIDGEPORT		NEWPORT		DATE
	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	
THURS.	4:05	4:40	4:50	5:30	4:20	5:10	5:50	6:15	7:20	7:45	7:35	8:00	4:15	4:50	8/4
FRI.	5:15	5:45	5:55	6:30	5:40	6:15	6:50	7:10	8:30	8:45	8:35	8:55	5:15	5:45	8/5
SAT.	6:20	6:45	6:55	7:25	6:50	7:15	7:45	8:05	9:35	9:50	9:35	9:55	6:10	6:40	8/6
SUN.	7:15	7:35	7:50	8:20	7:50	8:10	8:40	8:55	10:40	10:55	10:30	10:50	7:05	7:30	8/7
MON.	8:10	8:25	8:45	9:10	8:45	9:00	9:35	9:50	11:40	11:50	11:25	11:45	8:00	8:20	8/8
TUES.	9:00	9:15	9:40	10:05	9:35	9:55	10:25	10:45	—	12:35	—	12:20	8:50	9:15	8/9
WED.	9:50	10:10	10:35	10:55	10:30	10:50	11:15	11:35	12:50	1:30	12:40	1:10	9:40	10:05	8/10
THURS.	10:45	11:00	11:25	11:45	11:25	11:45	—	12:10	1:45	2:20	1:35	2:05	10:30	10:55	8/11

On Sandy Hook

STATEN ISLAND	+0 27
ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS	-0 01
Red Bank, Navesink River	+1 49
Long Branch	-0 34
SHARK RIVER INLET	-0 18
Shark River Basin	+0 27
MANASQUAN INLET	-0 12
Seaside Park	-0 33
Mantoloking bridge	+5 34
TOMS RIVER	+4 37
Waretown	+2 33
BARNEGAT LIGHT	-0 20
Manahawkin Bridge	+2 33
Beach Haven	+1 47
LITTLE EGG INLET	-0 01
Seven Islands	+0 12
Graveling Point	+1 05
Mullica River	+1 55
Grassy Bay	+1 08
ABSECON INLET	+0 14
Atlantic City Pier	-0 26
Great Egg Harbor Inlet	+0 12
GREAT EGG HARBOR	+0 44
CORSON INLET	+0 09
TOWNSEND INLET	+0 06
HEREFORD INLET	+0 02
Grassy Sound Bridge	+0 45
Cape May Harbor	-0 02
Rehobeth Beach	-0 07
INDIAN RIVER INLET	+0 41
SHINNECOCK INLET	-0 50
Shinnecock Bay	+1 25
East Quogue	+2 45
Shinnecock Canal	+1 18
Indian Reservation	+3 05
MORICHES INLET	-0 56
Smith's Point	+3 28
Hart's Cove	+1 30
Pontunk Point	+3 35
Mastic Beach	+3 28
FIRE ISLAND INLET	-0 38
Democrat Point	-0 38
Coast Guard Station	-0 19
Fire Island Light	+0 47
GREAT SOUTH BAY	
Sayville (Brown Creek)	+3 39
Heckscher State Park	+3 20
Bay Shore	+2 23
Babylon	+2 12
Amityville	+2 21
JONES INLET	-0 19
Zachs Bay	+1 25
Seaford Harbor	+2 05
Freeport Creek	+0 34
E. ROCKAWAY INLET	-0 06
Long Beach Bridge	+0 19
ROCKAWAY INLET	0 00

Beach Channel Bridge	+0 38
J.F.K. Airport	+0 26

On Bridgeport

Lloyd Point	+0 08
Cold Spring Harbor	+0 08
Bayville Bridge	+0 13
Eatons Neck Point	+0 03
Northport Bay	+0 03
Norwalk Islands	+0 10
Smithtown Bay	+0 08
Cranes Neck Point	+0 05
Port Jefferson Hbr. entrance	+0 03
New Haven Harbor	+0 08
Mount Sinai Harbor	+0 05
Herod Point	-0 07
Mattituck Inlet	+0 05
Horton Point	-0 20
Truman Beach	-0 42
Falkner Island	-0 13
Sachem Head	-0 10
Branford Harbor	-0 07
New Haven Harbor entrance	-0 08
Milford Harbor	-0 07
Stratford, Housatonic River	+0 27
Shelton, Housatonic River	+1 36
Black Rock Harbor entrance	-0 03
Saugatuck River entrance	-0 01
South Norwalk	+0 10
Greens Ledge	-0 01
Stamford	+0 04
Cos Cob Harbor	+0 06
Greenwich	+0 02

On New London

Orient	+0 36
Little Gull Is. (Race)	+0 12
Greenport	+1 04
Southold	+1 43
New Suffolk	+2 26
South Jamesport	+2 32
Shinnecock Canal	+2 33
Noyack Bay	+2 05
Sag Harbor	+0 59
Three Mi. Hbr., Gardiners Bay	+0 21
Promised Land, Napeague Bay	-0 14
Montauk Inlet	-0 25
Montauk Point, north side	-1 13
Niantic	+1 20
Stonington, Fishers Is. Sound	-0 33
Noank, Mystic River ent.	-0 23
THAMES RIVER	
Smith Cove entrance	-0 01
Norwich	+0 12
CONNECTICUT RIVER	
Saybrook Jetty	+1 10

Lyme, highway bridge	+1 24
Essex	+1 38
East Haddam	+2 41
Higginnum Creek	+2 54

On Willets Point

Little Neck Bay	-0 10
Execution Light	-0 06
Manhasset Bay	-0 01
Hempstead Harbor	-0 11
City Island	-0 03
Rye Beach	-0 28
Port Chester	-0 09
Mamaroneck	-0 08
New Rochelle	-0 24
Dauids Island	-0 02

On Breakwater Harbor

CAPE MAY POINT	-0 10
Miami Beach	+0 17
East Pt., Maurice River Cove	+0 53
Egg Island Point	+0 33
Cape Henlopen	-0 05
ROOSEVELT INLET	+0 09
Mispillion River entrance	+0 33

On New York

Jersey City	+0 07
George Washington Bridge	+0 46
Spytlen Duyvil, W/RR bridge	+0 58
Ossining	+1 53
Peekskill	+2 24
West Point	+3 16
Newburgh	+3 42

On Newport

Sakonnet	-1 10
Tiverton (between bridges)	+0 21
Beavertail Point	-0 02
Prudence Is., Sandy Point	+1 10
Bristol	+1 10
Warren	+0 21
Nayatt Point	+0 12
Pawtucket, Seekonk River	+0 21
East Greenwich	+0 16
Wickford	+0 12
Narragansett Pier	-0 08
Point Judith Hbr. of Refuge	-0 07
BLOCK ISLAND	
Great Salt Pond	+0 05
Block Island (Old Harbor)	-0 14
Watch Hill Point	+0 44

Sunrise/Sunset

DAY / DATE:	RISE:	SET:
THU. 8/4	5:56	8:15
FRI. 8/5	5:57	8:14
SAT. 8/6	5:58	8:12
SUN. 8/7	5:59	8:11
MON. 8/8	6:00	8:10
TUE. 8/9	6:01	8:09
WED. 8/10	6:02	8:08

Moonrise/Moonset

DAY / DATE:	RISE:	SET:
THU. 8/4	1:21AM	4:30PM
FRI. 8/5	2:06AM	5:39PM
SAT. 8/6	3:02AM	6:43PM
SUN. 8/7	4:09AM	7:40PM
MON. 8/8	5:24AM	8:27PM
TUE. 8/9	6:42AM	9:06PM
WED. 8/10	8:01AM	9:40PM

Moon Phases

NEW	1st Qtr.	FULL	Last Qtr.
			
8/8	8/15	8/23	8/2

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The schedule of solunar periods below will help plan your day so that you will be fishing good areas during the time when the fish should be most active. The tables are not a guarantee you will catch fish, however. The major periods begin at the time shown and last for 1½ to 2 hours thereafter, and are in the bold typeface. The minor periods are shorter in duration and the lighter typeface.

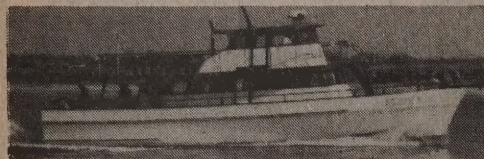
	AM		PM	
	Minor	Major	Minor	Major
Thurs.	1:25	7:25	1:35	8:00
Fri.	2:15	8:25	2:35	9:00
Sat.	3:15	9:25	3:35	9:55
Sun.	4:10	10:25	4:35	10:55
Mon.	5:05	11:20	5:30	11:50
Tues.	6:05	—	6:35	12:25
Wed.	7:10	12:55	8:40	1:30
Thurs.	8:10	2:00	9:35	2:25

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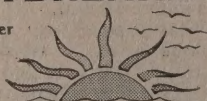
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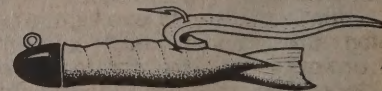
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been a good item during the day, while at night larger blues and a few weaks and bass are also being caught, mainly on bunker chunks. A few bccs are also being taken as are a few fluke in the boats that work around the bridges using killie squid combos.

Over in **Sheepshead Bay**, we hear from Capt. Kevin of the **Dorothy B VII** that it has been a slightly tough week on fluke. Even so, Sunday's high hook was 14 keepers, working the areas off the Rockaways and Coney Island flats. The evening trips have been picky, though never a skunk job on blues, weaks and stripers.

Aboard the open boat **White Eagle II**, this weekend saw two special charters run. Saturday's trip for Ruby's Fishing Club had a very good fluke day working the rock jetty area on incoming water and between the channels where action was slower, but the fish were bigger. The pool fluke hit 4 lbs. on the scale. Sunday's trip for the Wild Duck In Fishing Club found things slower at the jetty but then had a fair catch off Manhattan Beach of larger fluke to 3½ lbs. All catches were spearing, sand eels and belly. Please note all tickets are sold for Aug. 6 and 7.



Gene and Angela Lease with some of the 30 flounder taken from 1-2½ lbs. taken in July near the Short Beach Coast Guard Station. Subscriber photo.

class could be caught on the boat each day.

The **Ebb Tide** was chasing bluefish in the Bayville Port Jefferson area and the fish ran 2-5 lbs. at best. There were occasional weaks and a lot of decent days with only a few slow ones. The **North Star**, on the other hand, was still working the Norwalk Islands for porgies, blackfish and flounder.

North Shore REPORT

with Marty Garrell

Most of the Island continues to be alive with bluefish with some good fluking mid-island/north shore. The Gardiner's porgy run exploded Sunday as well. Good weekend weather allowed fishermen to hit all areas easily.

WESTERN SOUND

Jack Rumpf at **Jack's Bait** on **City Island** described "so-so" angling for small bass. There are a few porgies off Gangway Rock and Fort Slocum and a lot of small blues in the area that tend to scatter the scup.

John Casciola and Dave Watt at the **Glen Cove Sport Shop** said that chunkers and wire trollers were picking a few big blues to 15 lbs. from Hempstead Harbor. Center Island had some uncooperative bass.

Captain Frank Ackley of the **Glen Cove** charter boat **Tarpon** did a big job on the small blues for Tom and Bernie Darcy on Friday and Allan Shep on Saturday. He's been working around Great Captain Island.

The **Apache** from **City Island** was working the west side of Eaton's and Huntington for 3/4 to 1 lb. porgies. Catch rates were 10-25 per person and some 25 summer weaks in the 18"

NORTH SHORE MID-ISLAND

George Valentine at **4 Winds** told us that there were some blues in 3-6 lb. sizes on the Connecticut side of the Sound between Sheffield and Penfield Reef over the weekend. A few blues in 8-12 lb. sizes were recorded by chunkers off Lloyds and Center Island Reef. The best weakfish action on fish to 8 lbs. could be found on the flats off the Nissequogue in the evenings and nights. Drift worms or cast Rebels. The Eatons, Marshall Field and Target Rock zones had some big flounder to 2 lbs. along with porgies, and there were fluke off all the beaches.

Tom Bowman at **Bowman's** in **Northport** was surprised by all the big flounder off can 13 and suggested sandworm baits and chum pots. Scotty rigs were working very well on blues in 85' of water. Early morn and evening hours were the time for some weakfish activity off Fort Salonga.

Dick Brown at **Dick's** in **Mt. Sinai** told us that there are "as many blues and fluke around as you want." The fluke were off White Beach, Miller Place, and Sound Beach with the two hours on either side of high water the best for fishing with sand eel-squid combos. Few fish were throwbacks.

Sal Gatuso at **Sutler's** in **Port Jefferson** told us that there were a lot of blues close to the station around



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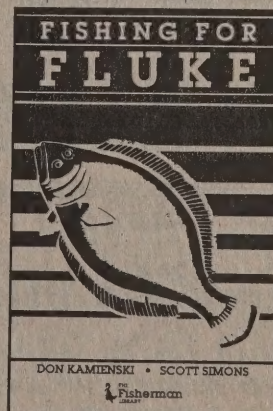
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buoy 11 and that 1-1½ lb. porgies were plentiful at the turn of the tide. The best scup of the season so far went 3 lbs. 12 oz.

Ken Freeman at the **Anglers' Den** in **Selden** figures that the Sound is "unreal" with an abundance of fluke. Live killies do a job on fish to 6 lbs. within 150 yds of Mount Sinai and Rocky Point beaches. Freeman was even more excited about Nevin Hebner's recent charter on the **Sea Mist** out of **Shinnecock**. Hebner caught his first big blue shark, and Dom Misciano scored with a 157 lb. mako. The anglers had one blue marlin hooked for 25 minutes and were treated to the once in a lifetime sight of a giant half ton blue chasing skipjack up on top on their way home.

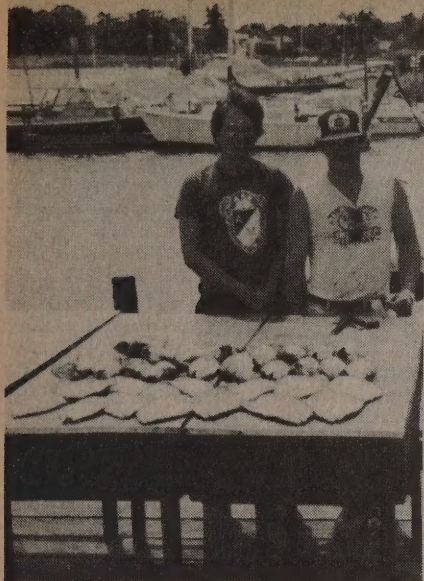
The **Ever Ready** now had some good night fishing as well as daytime, according to a report from **Packy Collins**. There's no pattern to the bluefishing and fish can be found anywhere. Sunday was the slowest day because shallow water blues required casting. Port Jeff fish run to 3 lbs., while those off Captain's Island may go 5. The **Packy Iv** loaded 150 blues plus a couple dozen porgies for the Walshes in a full day, and had some 60 choppers for half day outings. Evening trips will now be leaving at 4PM.

NORTH FORK

Ed Kopack at **Warren's** reported good weakfishing in the Bay on high hook squid down at **Roses** with catches up to 21 per boat. There was good porgy fishing in the Sound at **Reeves** and **Roanoke** with some action off the beaches. Blues were still at Buoy 5 in cocktail sizes.



Joseph Schneider had this 15.2 lb. fluke interrupt a trolling session off of Lloyd's Point. The big doormat was weighed at **Four Winds Tackle** in **Huntington**.



Lee Slosberg and Steve Gianotis with a fine catch of 14 fluke and 18 blues made at the Ruins (Gardiner's Island) during a trip out of Port of Egypt Fishing Station.

Sal Loria at Captain Marty's saw weaks and porgies coming ashore. The Roses Grove area was good on any tide with the very largest weaks to 4½ lbs. and the smallest around 1 lb. Porgies above ¾ lbs. were seen in the South Race and there were plenty of blowfish and blues in small sizes.

Jim Dunkirk at the Port of Egypt mentioned fluke in front of the station and off Petty's and Truman's with porgies in the Bight and a few blackfish off the rocks at the Point. There were still flounder off the Cable Crossing.

Liz at the Mattituck Fishing Station still had porgies and on both sides of the Inlet with the larger scup to the east. A few weaks, the biggest 7½ lbs., could be found off the Motel. Fluking was dead.

Art White at the A.P. White Bait Shop told us that Richie Jensen had a jackpot on the Nancy Ann that included weaks, blues and fluke on one day and the Gut was worth a shot at bass for sharpies. There were scads of bluefish off Orient Harbor in Hallock's Bay, while fluking off the Gardiner's Ruins and the Bar was good.

Porgy action off Gardiner's was unbelievable, on Sunday, reported Dave Brennan on the Peconic Star. Sunday's catch ran to 100 fish for Willie the Cat and the fish were mediums to large. Non-stop action in 25-45 feet of water the whole day was a real possibility last week and everyday was at least decent. George Porter on the Brand X has been mining the same lodes of silver.



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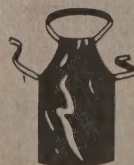
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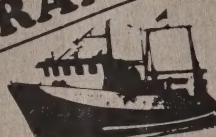
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Surf REPORT

with Fred Golofaro

Probably the most encouraging bit of info we could find this week is the fact that September is now only a month away. Despite the lackluster surf fishing most of us have been confronted with the past couple of weeks, there have been the usual bits and pieces of action around area beaches. In most cases, just enough to whet the appetites of the most dedicated surf nuts.

There was a flurry of bass action along the open beach at Robert Moses this past week with a handful of school bass and one cow of 35 lbs. taken by a handful of casters tossing tin. "Big Mike" Bowden had the big fish which was weighed at Lindenhurst Bait and Tackle. Rumor had it too that there were some bass taken on the "back side" of Robert Moses late Friday night. Democrat Point has been quiet with even those small blues missing from the scene.

No word from Moriches this week but there were small blues on the east side of Shinnecock Inlet Thursday and Friday evenings. A few school bass and weaks reported on sand worms from this area as well.

Out in Montauk, Johnny Kronuch labelled it a real quiet week. Even the wet suiters were kept out of action thanks to a big heave and last week's moon tide.

On the north shore, some bass action in the extreme western reaches of the Sound but not much else until you reach the Smithtown Bay area where small blues provide an occasional flurry of action. The story is the same between Old Field and Wading River where Bill Crownover of Rocky Point Fishing Station reported plenty of 1-3 lb. blues along the beaches with a very occasional shot 5-8 lbs. moving in. Hot lure has been the 1 ounce TriFin Spoon Jig with a white tube. Bass fishing in the area is poor and weaks have been almost non-existent.



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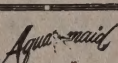
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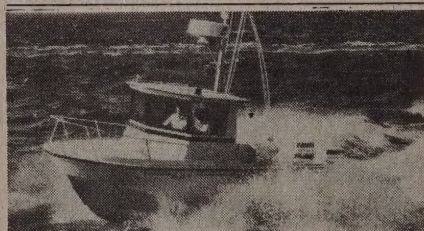
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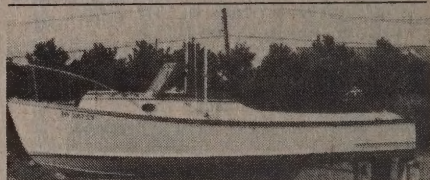
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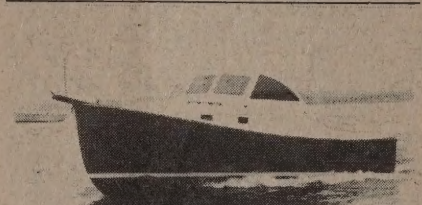
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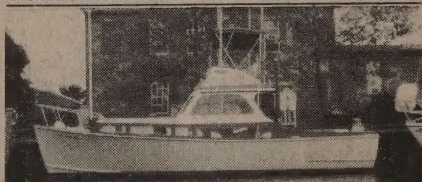
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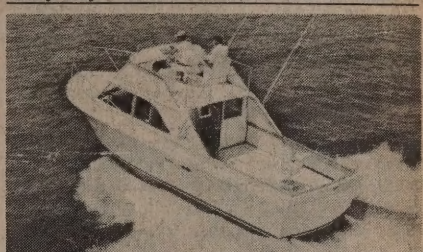
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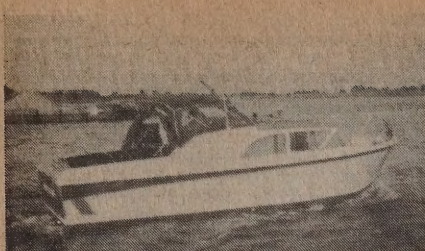
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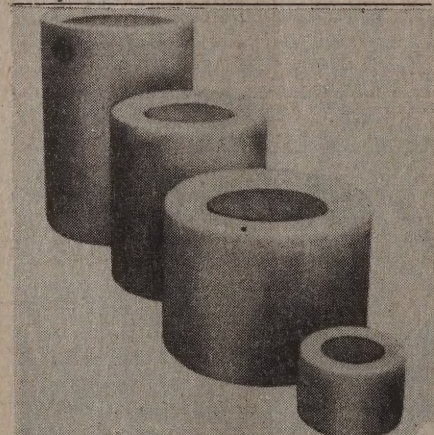
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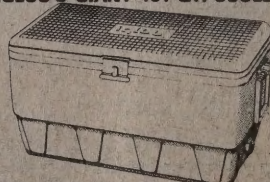
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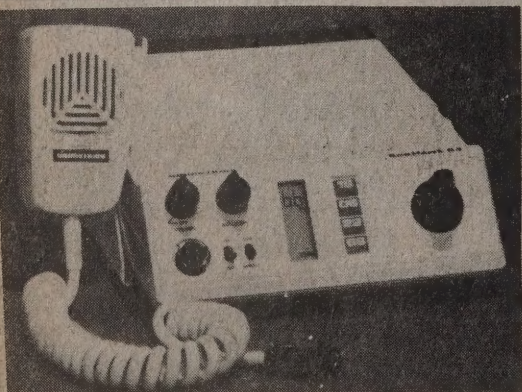
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